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THE THREE CENTS VIOLET.
NOVEMBER 2, 1917, TO NOVEMBER 2, 1918.

By LOUIS G. BARRETT.

We have previously published an article with the above title, but since then much new matter and information has been furnished us and we deem it best to print the article again with the new material referred to. We do not need to apologize for doing this in view of the large amount of interest that has been manifested in Mr. Barrett's previous article.—W. O. W.

As evidence of the ever-broadening fields of philately one may well consider the possibilities presented in gathering a representative collection of our humble three cent stamp.

In the following review of a single year's issue of this one stamp, the writer does not presume to present new information, but rather has gathered together from many sources such material as will be of possible assistance to the average busy collector, thus enabling one to make a skeleton collection, as it were, of the essential varieties which have appeared within this period, showing in a comprehensive manner the various phases and processes of manufacture of a most interesting stamp while it is still current.

While stocks in the post-offices of the larger cities and towns are necessarily being frequently renewed, and are thus constantly changing from week to week, the chances of finding some of the earlier plate-numbers should not be overlooked, as requisitions are not always filled from the latest printings. It is in the smaller offices, however, where but a limited number of stamps are used, that there may still be the opportunities of picking up those of the earlier items which are fast becoming things of the past, so rapidly do events follow each other.

Considerable difficulty undoubtedly may be experienced in finding the absolutely *first* or *last* plate-number of a given printing, but one should always obtain the lowest and highest number possible, and always be on the lookout to obtain a number still nearer the ultimate than the one at hand.

For some time previous to the actual participation of the United States in the World War on April 7, 1917, philatelists had been made aware of the great struggle thru varieties in our own issues forced upon us by dye shortages and by the pressing needs of increased revenue. The former was the cause of a series of pronounced shades in several of the values, notably the two cents, three cents and twelve cents stamps. Later when the production of American dyes had become more standardized the shades more closely approximated the earlier normal colors.

On November 2, 1917, the new domestic rates of postage became effective, calling for "3 cents an ounce or fraction thereof,- - -" but it is extremely doubtful if collectors could have foreseen the far-reaching effects of this action.

Naturally, an unprecedented demand for the three cent stamp arose, which the Department had attempted to forestall by the printing of an enormous reserve supply of stamps of this denomination during the months preceding the change in rates.

Large numbers of both flat and curved plates were made for the three cents value, but it was shortly found that the lines on the die for this value were not cut sufficiently deep to give best results, and many impressions may be found showing considerable wear, especially noticeable in the lack of the finer details of the head and of the surrounding wreath of laurel leaves. The last plate made from the original Die I was 8256, and while I have as yet been unable to find this, I have a block with plate-number 8253 in my collection.

There are also imperforates obtainable of Die I on the no watermark paper, as well as coil stamps and booklet pages, but these last, I believe, will be found rather scarce.

It is a well-known fact that in the case of stamps printed from engraved plates, double impressions are exceedingly rare, and usually when so discovered, are found to be the result of either a shifted or a re-entered transfer, peculiar only to a certain subject in the plate. Hence, *all* impressions taken from that plate will show the double

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However, for the first time, I believe, in the history of U. S. postage stamps, we must record a true double impression from an engraved plate. It is the three cents Die I from Plate 8209, in which the entire S. E. pane is known in a double condition, one impression as sharp as the other; the difference in register being nearly ½mm. horizontally; the plate numbers and the guidelines all showing the same doubling.

If one-quarter of the entire sheet of 400 is known double, the other three-quarters of the same sheet, i. e., the N. W., N.E. and S.W. panes must have existed also, and so are well worth hunting for.

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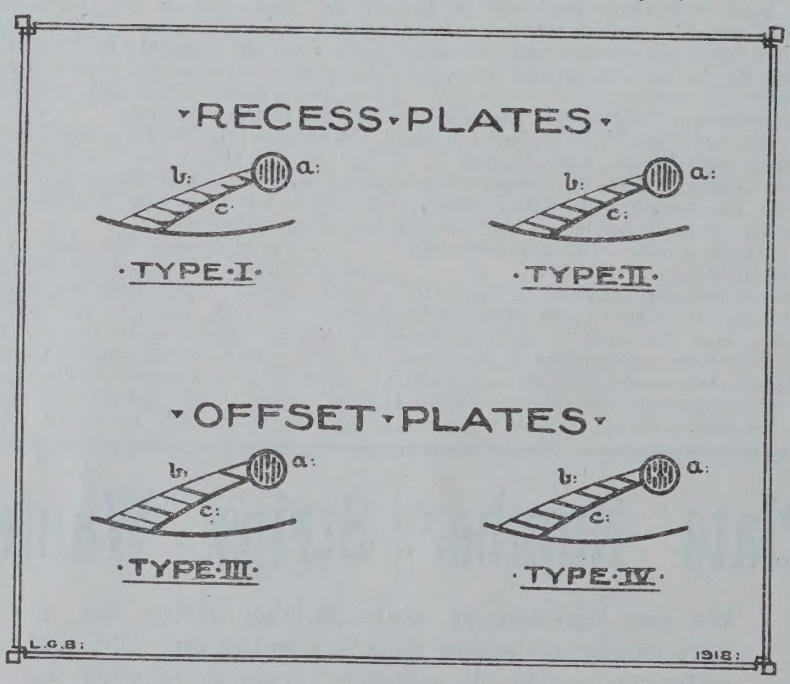

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(To be referred to hereafter as Type II.)

On December 8, 1917, a new Die II was approved, on which the lines had been deepened, and in some cases redrawn. The principal differences between it and Die I are as follows,—

a. On the drapery from front of neck to the button, the diagonal lines were continued across the fold of the drapery, of a uniform thickness, the whole effect being that of a strand of rope. On the old Die I, only the under edge of this fold was shaded. On the "button" itself, on both dies, there are five unbroken vertical lines. (See illustration of Types I and II.)

b. At the right lower side of oval between the first inner berry and the inner leaf of the first cluster, the vertical lines of the shaded background were extended downward into the angle between the berry and leaf, so this area was uniformly shaded; whereas in the former Die I only horizontal lines are found in this angle.

The above two features are the most conspicuous and useful in determining the identity of printings from this die, but in addition the following details should not be overlooked,—

c. Some lines were added in the hair above the ear,—

d. The shading of the eye, nostril and mouth was altered slightly.

All of this recutting was very cleverly done, the workmanship leaving nothing to be desired, and the resulting impressions were sharp and well balanced as to light and shade.

The first plates, made from transfers from this new Die II, went to press on January 10, 1918, the first plate made being 8262, and it was stated at the time that all later plates for this value would be laid down from the new Die II.

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As examples of the printings from worn plates I have in my collection plate-number double vertical strips of twenty stamps from plates 8266 and 8285, showing great variation in the impressions, good, bad and indifferent, in the same sheet.

It has been repeatedly asserted that the last recess plate from Die II was numbered 8367, but it now appears that there were *eight* more plates of this die bearing higher numbers scattered at random amongst the succeeding plates made for the first "offset" process. These were all 400 subject plates and bear the numbers,—8371, 8386, 8456, 8462, 8466, 8473, 8476 and 8481; and a letter from Mr. J. L.Wilmeth, Director of the Bureau, Engraving and Printing, under date of Nov. 30, 1918, confirms this classification, without, however, going into any explanation as to how it happened that these "recess" plates were so mixed up with those for the "offset" process. It is to be presumed that these were "recess" plates in various stages of completion at the time the latter were being made, and that as fast as they were completed and approved, were assigned numbers in regular sequence with the "offset" plates, in the same manner as though they had been plates for other values.

It will be noted that the first of these "orphans", plate 8371, is the next following the *first* of the "offset" process plates, No. 8370. So far, I have been unable to obtain any of these eight plate numbers. Here, again, is a further incentive for a little quiet research work, for it is always the case that whatever is the most desired is the most elusive. It is my opinion that these eight plate numbers will be much sought after and absolutely essential for a representative collection.

In addition to the above it may be of interest and of value in hunting them down, to know just what plates were made of this die. They are as follows,—8262 to 8268 inclusive; 8271 to 8274 inclusive; 8277 to 8280 inclusive; 8283 to 8300 inclusive; 8305 to 8325 inclusive; 8330; 8338; 8351 to 8359 inclusive; and 8362 to 8367 inclusive,—a total of only 79 plates.

Of the numbers missing from above list 8269, 8270, 8275, 8276, 8281 and 8282 were three cent 170 subject curved plates for the rotary presses, which, of course, it is well known are of a different die, anyway, which has never been given a separate die name, as it was distinctive of that process.

Numbers 8331 to 8334 inclusive were for 180 subject booklet plates from Die II, and are well worth looking for. The remaining numbers unaccounted for were for stamps of other values and so of no especial interest in this connection.

The earliest Die II plate number represented in my collection is 8263 in a deep violet shade, while the latest I have is 8362, printed in a reddish violet. This recess Die II. is also found on imperforate sheets, of which plate 8357 is represented in my collection. It also is found on coils, both horizontally and vertically.

DIE I. OFFSET PRINTED.

(To be referred to hereafter as Type III.)

On account of the rapid deterioration of the recess plates, as stated above, it was necessary, in order to keep pace with the demands for the three cent value, to resort to some other method of production, and the photographic rubber-offset process was selected as being the most suitable under the existing conditions.

As a matter of review, I am quoting from Mr. J. B. Leavy's article in *The Philatelic Gazette* for June, 1918,—

"The offset plates were manufactured in the following manner,—a photograph was made of a proof taken from the original die (I), and a proof from the first die of the 3c denomination was intentionally selected for the enlarged negative, as it was considered that the lighter, finer lines of that die lent themselves more readily to surface printing reproduction than the thicker, heavier lines of the second die of the 3c; very much enlarged, the enlarged negative was cut, cleaned and touched up, so that every line was clear and sharp; the design was then reduced, by photography, to the normal size; the normal size negative placed in what is termed a "step and repeat" photographic machine containing a *sensitized glass negative plate* as large as the printing plate; this machine permits the photographing of a subject as many times as desired, in any position on the plate, one subject at a time, so that the single normal size negative was placed for number one position on the plate, flashed, moved to number two position, flashed, moved to number three position, flashed, and so on for the entire plate of four hundred subjects. The *four hundred subject photo plate* thus obtained had the guidelines and arrows etched upon it and was then used to manufacture the printing plates in the usual manner, by direct contact photography on *sensitized zinc plates,* the plate number being etched on each zinc plate thus manufactured."

The first plates made by the new process were 8370, 8375 and 8379; and it is interesting to note that they all three show plate number variations as follows,—

Plate 8370 has the plate numbers exactly in the center of each pane, at the bottom, top or sides, appearing thus in the margins opposite the *interval* between the fifth and sixth stamps, so that the perforations cut thru the plate numbers.

One of the plate numbers at the right side of this plate, but whether from upper or lower pane I do not know, has the zero etched in over what appears to have been a partially erased 8.

Plate 8375 is like 8370 in the disposition of the numbers, but differs from it, in that on the *left* panes the *tops* of the numerals are towards the stamps; in other words, reads from the outside.

Plate 8379 has all of its numbers in normal positions; i. e., directly over or alongside the fifth stamp in a pane, as on former recess plates.

These offset-printed stamps from Die I are easily distinguished from the recess plate printings from Die I by the following details,—

a. The shading of the jaw has been so changed that a most pronounced double-chin is produced.

b. The middle vertical line in the "button" is broken.

c. The upper line of the drapery fold at front of neck is much heavier than before.
On the fold, counting up, the fifth cross line is missing, while the first and third lines are much weaker than the others.
(See illustration of Type III.)

d. Numerous lines have been added to the top of head and hair, especially over the ear.

e. The shadows of the eye, nostril and jaw have been deepened.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Air—There is a good bit of interest shown in airplane covers, particularly those carried on first trips and in consequence, the train of disappointments following the hap-hazard manner in which the airplane mail is sometimes handled is a long one. To dispense with distinctive markings on the mail carried on air routes seems indefensible from the view-point of the philatelist who, withal, is nothing if not tolerant in his expectations. The uncertainty that prevails in the overseership of the air service is indicated in the attitude of the postal officers in some of the cities on the New York-Chicago route. A correspondent in Cleveland says that the air mail folks there while on the alert to catch sight of a flyer had no knowledge officially that a flight had been attempted. Here is a reflection from Cleveland on the jumbled state of flying affairs: "The first day of the regular mail air service was marked by failures and disappointments, the New York to Cleveland and Chicago mail having to be forwarded from Bellefonte, Pa., by rail after the flyer was forced to descend on account of engine trouble. A machine scheduled to leave Chicago Wednesday morning did not get away until late in the evening and that flew only to the outskirts of the city where it descended for the night."

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Authentic—First trip markings are not so easy to get, it seems, and first stamps are out of the question. Admittedly, it is something to have "the second stamp issued" and now we recall a clipping that we received from the Kansas City *Star* last October that "the second stamp issued for the air postal service was sent to Mr. Gentry for the I. O. O. F. home by Third Assistant Postmaster A. M. Dockery. The stamp is affixed to a letter from President Wilson vouching for the authenticity of the stamp and the whole thing has been framed by Mr. Gentry."

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Atlanta—We shall go a bit further into the past and mention an airplane cover that was received by Mr. A. E. Fritz in his business correspondence in 1911. In the light of to-day, the cover in common with all the other pioneer airplane mail markings has a decided attraction. The two cent stamp is canceled "Aeroplane Mail Service," with the postmark: "Speedway Aerial Sub-Station, Nov. 18, 1911, Atlanta, Ga." In the upper left hand corner of the envelope is a picture in red of an aeroplane.

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Agitation—The new maps of Europe are so interesting to collectors in their maze of philatelic possibilities that they refrain from speculating over them. The subject is too vast for discussion as yet, but soon the stupendous postal panorama will begin to unfold. As for the truthful presentation of historic progression, the postage stamp may be depended upon. Political changes are marked for posterity by postage stamps. History may be read from the pages of the stamp album and the greatest upheaval in the history of civilization will be recorded in due time by rows of stamps from the nations affected. The boast that philately begets a knowledge of history in the minds of its followers will become better founded than before.

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Ago—While on the topic of War and its philatelic effect, let us hark back forty years when John K. Tiffany, perhaps our greatest philatelist, contributed an article under that heading to one of the stamp journals, but how puny are his conclusions in comparison with the actualities of to-day. He began: "In these days of wars and rumors of wars the stamp collector almost involuntarily turns over the pages of his album and examines anew the issues of the contending powers, meditating upon the possible effects of the contest as they may manifest themselves in his album and catalogue." In conclusion: "And so, meditating on the changes that war has wrought in the contents of his album and the possible results of the present disturbed state of Europe, the collector is again surprised to find how much of history may be read from the pages of his album."

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Arise—It is no secret that the local philatelic societies have been experiencing a dull period that has been due to reasons that are apparent. Now that strenuous days of the past are being succeeded by times that must soon become normal, there is no doubt but that the stamp societies will flourish as they have at different times in years gone by. As the restrictions on attendance become removed, the betterment of the societies must follow. This reminds us that in a recent report of the Prahran, Australia, Philatelic Society, was the sentence: "An item of importance led to considerable discussion but, in these war times, the Press Censor cannot release the information to the public."

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Again—The following letter speaks for itself: "'A brilliant writer!' The gods will surely forgive you for your untrammeled imagination. I showed your concept to the boss as a prelude to a dignified verbal formulation for a raise, but Gargoyle laughed your fair words to scorn. However, you mean well and so: What has become of the old-fashioned collector who was always importuning his 'ma' to give him flour so that he could make a paste with it with water in order to put in the stamps; and who left a doughy trail over the furniture as a result of his reliance on the preface of the old International: 'In regard to inserting the stamps in their places, care should be taken to use pure gum arabic, many valuable collections have been entirely spoiled by using prepared mucilage, which in course of time will turn nearly every stamp yellow.' *Verb. et Lit.* Pure gum arabic was out of the question and so the o. f. c. used flour-paste."

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Announced—The suspension of the publication of the *Philatelic Gazette* is viewed with regret and sympathy. The loss to philately is one that is real and while the contents of the *Gazette* were too concentrated to have a distinctly popular appeal, the loss is felt the more keenly by the serious philatelists. This we know: The times have sorely tried publishers in many lines, some of them more important than philately, whose increased expenses and diminished income made the prospects unalluring. The *Philatelic Gazette* did its share in making the philatelic world a better one for having lived in it and we hope that its publishers will be inclined to resume publication when conditions are more auspicious. The really advanced collector is now without any mouth-piece wholly his own.

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PHILATELIC NEWS OF THE DAY.

From the "American Philatelic Service."

A course of philately on the curriculum of each public school in the United States is not an impossibility of the days of the future. Formal recognition by educational authorities of the value of stamp collecting in association with history, geography, spelling, economics, politics and other studies seems a logical development of the more widespread interest in the postage stamps of nations that has been awakened by the world war and its generous production of postal adhesives.

At Como, Italy, at the Instituto Carducci, the pupils of the secondary schools have philately as one of their regular studies, and for these scholars the postage stamps of the war have been used in the interpretation of many of the developments of the great conflict. Occupation stamps told the story of Entente capture of German colonies, one by one, and told also of German and Austrian and Bulgarian invasion of Belgium, Russia and the Balkan kingdoms; airplane stamps illustrated the necessity of using the flying machines in America, Italy, Austria and other lands in order to expedite the movement of mails delayed by war conditions; provisional stamps reflected shortage of currency in Russia, altered economic conditions in the Orient, the increase in postage rates in many countries, the birth of new nations, the abdication of rulers, revolutionary movements in Russia, and Greece, and the activities of Teutonic submarines. These Italian scholars, looking behind the appearance of these war stamps one by one, have in a new way been learning modern history, studying present-day geographical and financial changes, and keeping abreast of the news of the hour.

In England, Mr. Fred. J. Melville, president of the Junior Philatelic Society, has inaugurated "The Philatelic Institute" after two years of study devoted to plans for establishing this unique school. Philately is being taught along systematic lines, as is any other subject of special study. Mr. Melville has prepared a "grammar of philately" and a "syntax of stamps". A carefully-planned course of ten lessons is given to the pupils, illustrated with actual stamps which, at the conclusion of the course, become the property of the sudents. The lessons explain what the collectors need to know in order to understand and enjoy their hobby, and at the same time they are guided along a path of helpful and informative reading.

In the United States, a movement is under way which is more ambitious than either of the two philatelic institutions abroad. It is the purpose of those who are behind the American project to have stamp collecting introduced into the public schools throughout the nation; to have philately made a prescribed course of study, sanctioned by school boards, State, municipal and rural. At the Italian school, the institution itself possesses a collection of stamps as part of the plan of study, and this idea would be incorporated in the scheme for teaching philately in American schools. Each school would acquire its own general collection, gradually building it as the broadening of the philatelic course made necessary the acquirement of new stamps, so that year by year each school would become better equipped to teach history, geography and other studies with the aid of the postage stamp.

Do you know the story of the great bell of China—moulded of gold and silver and brass—that has sounded for five hundred years, always pealing the name of a woman—the bell that has a soul? Did you ever notice that Egyptian portrait painters always placed the legs and profile at right angles to the body—an impossible posture? Do you know about the sunken road of Ohain—where the shake of a peasant's head brought catastrophe to Napoleon—where 2,000 horses and 1,500 men fell pell-mell into a deep ravine, struggling, grinding and crushing one another? Do you know that "Lusitania" was the Roman name for Portugal? Do you know that the Nobel Peace Prizes are paid out of a great fortune, accumulated by the invention and manufacture of explosives intended to make war more deadly?

The answers to these questions probably will tax the memory of most persons. There are stamps depicting scenes which illustrate the answers; and it is the belief of Houghton, Mifflin Company, Boston publishers, that the boy or girl in school who is asked any one of these questions is going to derive a great deal more fun out of a search for knowledge if he or she is a stamp collector—a collector not alone individually but one of an entire class which, collecting as a unit, makes constant use of postage stamps in the pursuance of daily studies.

The Boston publishing house's campaign is frankly in connection with promoting the sale of a set of books, "The World's Story", a history of the world in story, song and art, in which Eva March Tappan, the editor, presents history in a manner departing from the one in which pupils are accustomed to learn history in the schools. In teaching, through these volumes of "The World's Story", geography and literature and art as well as history, Houghton, Mifflin Company are associating a plan which involves an advertising campaign that is without precedent for the reason that the postage stamp is for the first time used in this connection.

Incident after incident in the world's ancient and modern history may be illustrated by the postage stamp; it has been informally recognized by educators of national standing that children who are stamp collectors are apt to rank higher in studies than children who know nothing about stamps. It is the Boston publishers' conviction that philately if officially adopted in schools for its educational value would prove beneficial to the America of the future.

Czecho-Slovakia, a baby among the world's Republics and which has been recognized by the United States and associated Powers, has issued postage stamps, but little is known in America regarding the character of them. Meanwhile, the arrival home of Charles L. Jones, a Y. M. C. A. overseas secretary, from the American front in France, discloses that the French Government several months ago issued special franking adhesives for use by the Czecho-Slovak troops fighting on French soil.

Mr. Jones, a New York man, returned from Europe in December bringing some of these unique stamps. He was at a Red Cross hut in Vittel, in The Vosges, on Nov. 19, when some Czecho-Slovak soldiers, who had been brought back from the fighting line for a rest period, displayed letters which they were about to mail to friends in St. Louis and which bore some of these stamps. The labels were printed probably in Paris. Some of the copies which Mr. Jones brought home he turned over to a friend, Henry C. Needham, a New York lawyer, who has one of the finest collections in the world.

The design of the Czecho-Slovak stamps, each ten centimes in value, shows a soldier standing with gun and bayonet pointing, and the inscription memorializes the presence in France of the volunteers of this young Republic.

Altho the New York-Chicago airplane mail service was not inaugurated auspiciously from the Government's viewpoint, in the opinion of stamp collectors this branch of the nation's aerial postal system is already highly successful. The reason for this attitude by philatelists is that the Government commemorated this extension of the service by issuing a new postage stamp—a 6-cent orange label for use on letters carried on this route. The new stamp is being placed also on mail carried on the New York-Philadelphia-Washington route, and marks the second time the Government has reduced the airplane postal rate. On May 15 last, when regular service was established, 24 cents was the levy, and two months later this was lowered to 16 cents.

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The significance of the desire by philatelists that all new branches of airpost service be accorded "first trip" postmarks and have identifying cancellations may be understood when it is stated that a collection of fifty varieties of envelopes with various airpost cancellations was sold recently in New Jersey for $225, notwithstanding that the face value of the stamps on these covers was approximately only $10.

COVERT-ROYAL-CORNISH.

Our subscription record for this week is very encouraging and we are grateful to the dealers who are helping increase the circulation of our publication. The Edgewood Stamp Co. again places us under great obligations by sending in 22 new subscriptions, but there are three lesser stars in the subscription firmament that give every promise of good work in the future. We refer to the Covert Stamp Co., the Royal Stamp Co., Paul Floyd Cornish and Chas. Christensen. Several good lots of new subscriptions have been received and we name those who have been the most active:—

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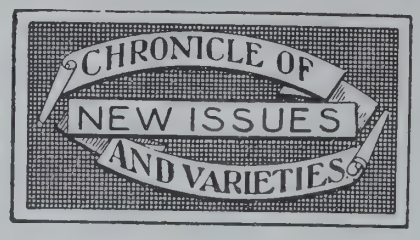

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—In our issue of November 30, we mentioned the fact that plates had been made for printing the 1 cent stamp by the offset process. We now learn from the *Philatelic Gazette* the numbers of the first fifteen plates together with the dates on which they went to press. The first plate No. 9095 went to press September 21, No. 9096 Oct. 9, No. 9242 Oct. 18, No. 9245 Oct. 21, No. 9247 Oct. 23, No. 9248 Oct. 28, No. 9249 Oct. 29, No. 9250 Oct. 28, No. 9257 Oct. 31, No. 9258 Nov. 2, No. 9259 Nov. 2, No. 9260 Nov. 2, No. 9266 Nov. 4, No. 9267 Nov. 6 and No. 9283 on Nov. 18. Stamps from any of the plates had not made their appearance in either New York or Philadelphia up until December 22nd, but they will without doubt be turning up in some cities before long. We will await with great interest the news that the stamps have finally been issued and we judge the perforated varieties will in turn be followed by those in an imperforate condition.

About a year ago we made mention of a 2c rotary coil stamp from a second die, but outside of listing it we gave no details as to which varieties existed from each die. This second die for the 2c stamp is the only die ever made especially for coil stamps and never used for the flat plates. It seems that the first die of the 2c stamp, that is the one now used for the flat plate stamp, had the outside frame lines cut so deeply that when the plate was laid down and then curved they printed an impression that produced an offset on the back of the stamp covering it in the roll. To overcome this the new die was cut.

To distinguish these dies:—DIE I, the white colorless rectangle within the colored border is thicker around the entire stamp. In the first section of the curled ribbon over the left "2" there are two diagonal lines and the same number in the second section of the ribbon on the right. The white lock of hair in front of the ear is formed by the termination of the many crossed lines of the face. The large heavy lock back of the ear shows first a short colored line, then a long one.

Die II: the white, colorless rectangle is much thinner, and the hair generally is deeper cut. In the ribbon sections mentioned above, three lines instead of two are found. The white lock in front of the ear is formed by a heavy colored line and is distinct. The two lines in the large lock in back of the ear are of the same length. Many other differences may be noted, but these are sufficient to distinguish one from the other. I have in my own collection some strips from Die II that show two lines in the ribbon peculiar to Die I instead of three and I took these to the Bureau of Engraving & Printing thinking that there had been a recutting of Die II, but was informed that this difference was caused by the curving of the plate, for in some plates certain lines do not show up as clearly as in others. In distinguishing the dies, therefore, the stamp as a whole must be studied and not simply one point. The die for the 2c stamp was recut in March, 1915, and no plates for printing coil stamps were made from the old die after May 22, 1915. The coil varieties issued were as follows:—

Watermarked U S P S
2c sidewise, perf. vertically, Die I.
2c endwise, perf. horizontally, Die I.
2c sidewise, perf. vertically, Die II.
2c endwise, perf. horizontally, Die II.
2c sidewise, IMPERFORATE, Die I.
Unwatermarked.
2c sidewise, perf. vertically, Die II.
2c endwise, perf. horizontally, Die II.

In our issue of December 7th I gave a list of all imperforate coils known and from several letters I have received I am led to believe that many of our readers do not understand what an imperforate coil is. When we say imperforate coil we mean just exactly what we say and that is coils without any perforations whatsoever. If a coil is perforated either vertically or horizontally, it is part-perforated and not imperforate. We well realize that it is difficult to distinguish such coils from stamps cut from the imperforate sheets, but that is a subject outside of the realm of this column.

Some little discussion took place recently in Philadelphia, as to whether that portion of the plate which retained the ink for printing the offset stamps was in relief or in recess. Our friend, Mr. Owen, was quite positive it was in recess, while Mr. Mann was equally positive it was in relief. We appealed to the Bureau and Director Wilmeth writes Mr. Mann under date of December 13, 1918, as follows:—"Practically speaking, both the parts of the plates corresponding to the white and color are on the same plane, that is neither are recessed, but to be scientifically correct that part that prints the color is a greasy film that is superimposed upon a layer of hardened albumen. Both the albumen and grease film are measurable with instruments ordinary in use, and are undoubtedly less than one-hundred thousandths of an inch."

Mr. J. M. Bartels kindly informs us that the following envelopes have been seen and should be added to the Bartels Envelope List.

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0240A	5c	B	3	20	White	92
		Circular Dies.				
0251A	1c	A	5	19	White	81x
0266B	1c	A	11	19	White	88x
0303A	2c	A	5	20	White	87x
0356A	2c	A	14	19	Amber	93
0407A	2c	H	8	19	Amber	59
0407B	2c	H	8	20	Amber	59
0408B	2c	H	13	19	Amber	83
0412B	3c	A	3	20	Amber	92
0481A	3c	F	13	19	Amber	89w
0488D	3c	H	7	19	Blue	51

Changes Required.

0412A should remain as previously reported, size 3, Amber, 19, 80.

Change 0251A, size 5, White, 19, 87, to 0251B.

Change 0251B, size 5, White, 19, 87w, to 0251C.

Change 0266B, size 11, White, 20, 88, to 0266C.

Mr. Allen S. Davenport writes to state that he has located a copy of the 4c Documentary with a double overprint "Stock Transfer". We are informed that the second surcharge is quite distinct.

Regards aeroplane trips, the recent "first trips" between Chicago and New York were not successful and the Postmaster General has announced that the establishment of a permanent daily service between these cities has been postponed.

We wish to thank Mrs. W. E. Underwood, the B. & E. Stamp Co., Mr. John Rausch and others for information regarding new shades, plate numbers, varieties, etc.

BELGIAN CONGO.—We are informed that a large consignment of the recent Red Cross stamps for this colony, and a corresponding quantity of those earmarked for Belgian East Africa, were lost at sea. The fact should make thes popular novelties even more desirable.—*Stamp Collecting.*

CURACAO.—We are informed by E. H. Gammans that the current 12½c blue is out with the surcharge "5 cent" in two lines.

INDIA.—According to the Indian newspapers the letter postage rate has been increased from 1 anna to 1½ annas thus bringing India into line with Great Britain and the other British Dependencies, and of course necessitating the issue of a 1½a stamp.—*Alfred Smith's Monthly Circular.*

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PACK UP YOUR STAMPS.

(The Rev. Jas. Mursell is one of the leading philatelists of Gt. Britain and we reprint the following for a self evident reason. Mr. Mursell promised us some time ago a booklet article on the "Long Stamps" of So. Australia.—W. O. W.)

We received an interesting letter from the Rev. James Mursell recently, wherein that gentleman informed us that he had undergone a serious operation towards the latter end of July, but was on the fair way to a full restoration to vigour. Mr. Mursell had been in poor health for some years and the trouble could not be located until lately. In his letter he wrote that he did not expect to pull through and quite surprised himself with his recuperative power.

Subsequent to the operation Mr. Mursell went to a nursing home, where the matron confided to his wife that she dreaded having men patients as they were very good when they were downright ill but restive as they grew stronger. She put this down to the fact that they had nothing to do with their hands. Mrs. Mursell assured the matron that her husband had something to do with his hands, for that he was a great stamp collector. The matron then said, "Pray let him bring his stamps," so he included amongst his luggage volumes one and two of his South Australian collection, volume one of Tasmania, and his volume of West Indies, which included Antigua, Barbados and St. Vincent.

As soon as the first days of extreme weakness had passed he began to turn the pages of his album, and as they lay on an invalid table to his hand he was able to drink in joy and gloat over their beauty; the bargains made here and there in Australia and London, and the rise in catalogue value of some of his prizes. As strength stole back he was able to re-arrange pages with which he was not satisfied, and generally to bring his early South Australians into as perfect order as he was capable of. He then turned his attention to Tasmania and Barbados and enriched them with some stamps which had been sent him on approval from the Laing collection.

Later, when he returned home, he was able to pursue the same course with Queensland and Antigua.

Several philatelic friends relieved the weeks of weakness by visiting him. Needless to say they looked through his albums and spoke well of their contents. "So," he writes, "my stamps and the joy of collecting, assisted my convalescence and helped me to make quite a model patient in my nurse's eyes,"

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We were delighted to read Mr. Mursell's remarks, and, although the letter was of a personal nature, we feel that others might profit by his experience under similar circumstances. The moral of the story is, should you have occasion to undergo a serious operation, pack your stamp collection in your luggage, in view of the subsequent period of convalescence.—*Australian Stamp Journal.*

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NOTES ON OAXACA SHEETS.

By W. PARKER LYON.

For collectors of Oaxaca Stamps they might be interested in the following notes sheets which I have in my collection.

Second setting of one cent value entire stamp No. 2 inverted, also stamp No. 38 both errors shown in first three vertical rows and duplicated again in the second three vertical rows all of which are inverted, making 11 *tete beche* pairs in the sheet and center vertical pairs imperforate between. Traces of numerals of value show on all stamps in this setting.

Second issue 2 cent value:—
Entire stamp No. 1 inverted, stamp No. 11 shows both top numerals of value inverted, imperforate vertically through center of sheet.

Second print of 3 cent value:—
In the sheet one stamp is inverted entirely, one stamp shows numerals at top inverted, another stamp shows both top numerals figure 8's instead of 3's.

Another sheet of same printing, same errors, shows official printing on face of stamps instead of back as usual.

The second print of 5 cent value I have also in same shape printed over the official printing waste paper same as all Oaxaca issues are printed on, but instead of being printed on backs of these official blanks the printing is done right over the original printing.

TWO TYPES OF "S" ON N. W. P. ISLANDS

One of our readers wants to know why there is so much talk about the two types of S in Northwest Pacific Islands stamps and how they became to be used, so perhaps a little further information on the subject is necessary. There is a font of type known as the "De Vinne" type which includes two types of S, one with a short curl at the top and a big curl at the bottom is known as the commencing S, whereas those which have the curls at top and bottom both alike are known as middle or ending letters. This is not generally acknowledged amongst printers in this country, and an investigation will show that the two types are used promiscuously. Take, for instance, the various headings over articles in our journal, the type of which is similar to that used for overprinting the North-West Pacific Islands stamps.

The trouble arose through this same indifference on the part of the late Commonwealth Stamp Printer. Although that gentleman's attention was called to the fact that he had unwittingly created varieties, he declined to alter them, with the result that they continued in use with variations (i. e., the elimination of the bottom row of the second printing, which contained three mixtures) until he vacated the position. The letter "S" now being used is the middle or ending S, and is, therefore, technically correct. —*Australian Stamp Journal.*

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pressions in sheets of 400 stamps being possible.

The ink used for the first printing (Plate 8370) was of commercial type bought of a local concern, but for the succeeding printings ink was used of the Bureau's own manufacture, and as it was of a more or less experimental nature, varied considerably with the different early printings, so that at least the first nine may be distinguished, not alone by the plate numbers, but also as well by the shade of ink employed. These first nine printings are as follows,—

1st printing, March 12; plate 8370; dark violet.
2nd printing, March 15; plates 8375 and 8379; deep bright violet.
3rd printing, March 19; plates 8381 and 8382; light grayish violet.
4th printing, March 20; plate 8383; light violet.
5th printing, March 23; plate 8384; lavender.
6th printing, April 1; plates 8413, 8421, 8556; bright violet.
7th printing, April 2; plate 8420; light bright violet.
8th printing, April 4; plates 8559, 8560, 8561; deep lilac.
9th printing, April 5; plates 8417 and 8563; light reddish violet.

It has been supposed hitherto that practically all of the early printings were absorbed by the Washington Post Office, but I have recently come across a copy with bottom plate number attached, plainly showing it to be from plate 8375, *precancelled* "Red Bank, N. J.," so some at least were sent to other offices, and I have been informed by a correspondent that he purchased both plates 8370 and 8375 at the Philadelphia P. O.

There are numerous collectible varieties for those interested in the successive processes in this issue, as for instance, plate 8610 appears with the numbers as tho "rubber-stamped," irregular in alignment and the numerals of a wholly different character than the normal ones, being broader; the whole number being 11½ mm. long as against a normal length usually of about 9 mm. Another correspondent calls my attention to the fact that plates 8604, 8605, and 8608 also have this same "rubber-stamped" type of plate-numbers, while 8607 is normal.

In addition in my own collection, I have a bottom plate number from 8596 which has the 6 crudely redrawn, and a similar bottom plate number from 8646 shows the same peculiarity in the final 6, while a top number from 8647 has the 7 drawn in at a considerable distance from the 864. A bottom number from 8674 shows all the numerals half as large again as ordinarily.

Again, on plate 8649 the numerals appear as tho scratched on by hand with some sharp pointed instrument, the numerals being 3 mm. tall, very irregular and misshapen.

There are also instances where the plate number and arrow guides repeat at intervals along the margin at top or bottom of sheet. Two such from plates 8632 and 8656 show the numerals over about every second stamp, and in some cases they are also doubled at a given point.

Some very fine double impressions are found in these "offset" prints,—some from plate 8615 being particularly fine, with the second impression a ½ mm. off. Printings from this plate, however, are not always to be found double, as I have also this same 8615 perfectly normal in every respect.

Between two and three hundred plates were made for the Die I offset process, the last plate from this die being 8719 No imperforates or booklets are known of this Die I offset type.

One of the last plates made of offset Die I, number 8717, is different from all others preceding, having the subjects spaced 3 mm. apart vertically, instead of the normal 2½ mm., and it will be noted that this feature is also a distinguishing one of the following series of Die II offset plates. This plate 8717 was printed from on June 1, and must be a scarce article.

Here it may be well to state that the subjects have not in reality been spaced further apart but rather that the subjects themselves have been reduced in height ½ mm., the vertical measurement from the bottom of a stamp in one row to the bottom of a stamp in the next row remaining as before, 25½ mm., the new subjects measuring vertically 22 mm. instead of 22½ mm. as formerly.

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THE PUJOL COMMEMORATIVE.

We have received some information concerning the last commemorative stamp issued by Argentina to mark the "CENTENARY of Dr. Pujol." The issue took place on June 15th last and consisted of two millions copies of a 5 centavos stamp showing a profile of the Doctor and lithographed in gray and bistre. The centenary was somewhat late, as he was born in Corrientes on November 27, 1817. He was a professor, legislator, minister and governor in the province of Corrientes. While Governor, from 1852 to 1859, he initiated many important works, including the founding of schools, museums, colonies and missions; approved the provincial constitution, constructed parks, bridges and highways; created the Charity Association, took the first census and made the first map of the province. The Argentine Philatelic Society considers the commemoration as an homage which the Post Office owes the creator of the first postage stamp in the Republic, since the issue of the Corrientes stamps in 1856 was due to his initiative while Governor. We are pleased to meet the Doctor!—*N. E. Stamp Monthly.*

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December 17, 1918.

51 members and friends attended the meeting this evening and although there was no fixed entertainment, all seemed to enjoy listening to the various chats about stamps which several members gave. Messrs. A. M. Ferguson and Dr. Hubert Lyman Clark were admitted to resident and Harold S. Stevens to junior membership. The resignations of Messrs. Curtis G. Nevers and Leland Powers were accepted. The application of Esidor Curhan was posted for junior membership. Officers for the coming year were nominated and will be voted on at the next meeting, Jan. 21, 1919.

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"PHILATELIC GAZETTE" SUSPENDS.

We are deeply pained to announce the suspension, temporary at least, of the *Philatelic Gazette*. For five years it has been published by the Nassau Stamp Co. and has proven one of the ablest of American philatelic publications. It was conducted along specialistic lines with an array of contributors that might well be envied.

There are many reasons why publications devoted to stamp collecting have a hard time getting along, but there are two particular reasons that are worth considering. We lay it down as a general principle that many dealers here in the United States are not public-spirited. They are interested only in what concerns their own immediate welfare. There are of course illustrious exceptions and we could name them, even as we could name those who are mortally afraid of giving comfort to a competitor in business. There are dealers who would not permit a stamp paper to be seen on their office counter, for fear the address of a rival dealer might be secured.

We have spoken plainly about the dealer, but the collector too is to blame, when a good paper like the *Gazette* is compelled to suspend. Any collector can afford to take at least two stamp publications, one devoted to the scientific and the other the news features of his hobby. The trade would be in a sorry condition if there were no philatelic press and the collector should realize that so far as his financial interests are concerned they are tied up in the same bundle with those of the dealer. We are gratified with the asset we have in a subscription list that is big enough to compel patronage, but at the same time we deeply regret the suspension of so excellent a publication as the Klemanns have been issuing. We take this opportunity of saying a few things that we have had on our mind to say for some time. A deeper, broader spirit of co-operation is absolutely essential upon the part of collector, dealer and the philatelic press.

THE MANAGING EDITOR.

THE THREE CENTS VIOLET.

BY PHILIP H. WARD, JR.

I read with great interest the article on the 3c violet appearing in recent issues of the WEEKLY by Mr. Louis G. Barrett and a letter of Mr. Joseph B. Leavy which was published on November 16th. I now note that in your edition of December 7th, Mr. Barrett takes exception to some of Mr. Leavy's statements. While I am not anxious to enter into any controversy, I have made quite a study of the coil stamps and happen to have detailed information on the very subject. Before completing my article on the "Coil Stamps of the United States", which has been running in the *Philatelic Gazette* since June, I made a special trip to the Bureau at Washington to learn as to the exact number of dies used. I had read in one of the papers that there were two dies of the 1c value and before completing the chapter on the "rotary coils", I wanted to be able to make a positive statement. I can positively state that Mr. Barrett is absolutely wrong when he says that the 1c, 3c, 4c and 5c rotary coil stamps are from different dies than those used for the flat plates. The apparent differences that he describes are due, I am told at the Bureau, to the curving of the rotary plates after they are made. Of the 2c value only was a special die made and in my *Gazette* article I explain in detail why this was necessary. The above information was not only given me verbally at the Bureau, but I have since received confirmation as to the number of dies in a letter from Mr. Fisher, Acting Director, dated December 5, 1918.

Mr. Barrett also says that the 3c Die II vertical coil has been issued, but this is not correct. If he will read in one of the current papers, the list of plates that have appeared since the first Die II flat plate was made, he will not find mentioned a plate of 150 3c subjects which would be necessary in order to have a Die II vertical coil.

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—H. E. Spicer, Elkhart, Ind., can get no returns on letters sent James & Francis Swan, 2809 Ohio Av., Topeka, Kans.

—Have you seen Bartels' pink list? A copy sent this office has been perused with interest and demonstrates the wide variety of stock that the Bartels firm carries. It is something more than a mere list and the collector who would add to his stamp possessions or his wealth of philatelic literature will do well to procure a copy.

—R. C. Hooghkirk, the secretary of the Edgewood Stamp Co., has been honorably discharged from the Service and resumed his position at his desk in the office of the company. He writes:—"It seems pretty good to get back into the game again and business was never better with us than now." We also note that J. Eustace Guest is back in Minneapolis.

—The stock of the Republic Stamp Co., Louisville, Ky., has been sold to A. N. Estes, who, beginning this week, will use our columns in an endeavor to dispose of the stock. The Republic Stamp Co. will be remembered as an old time advertiser in the WEEKLY.

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—A new and attractive feature may now be found in the Pittsburgh *Gazette-Times*. It is "The Stamp Collector," with A. S. Jessop of Pittsburgh as editor. The department is freely illustrated and should prove a valuable aid in creating philatelic sentiment. The local stamp club should also profit by the publicity given stamp collecting. We congratulate the *Gazette-Times* upon its enterprise in furnishing its many readers with the latest news upon one of the brightest and best of hobbies.

—"I would like to have some Sonora expert tell me if the re-issue green seal stamps were printed in 1913 along with the other green seal issues. I happen to have a strip of four 10c value of the so-called green seal with black roulette with green seal omitted and each copy embossed by the genuine embossing machine same as the white seals. I have seen parties from Hermosillo who personally saw these so-called re-issues in the print shop in 1913 and attended a meeting at which it was considered how to use this issue as postage so that the stamps could be distinguished from the ones earlier used by the other Villa faction and at that meeting it was determined to use the large rubber stamp Mexico as a validating surcharge and for a while it was so used and later used as a cancelling machine when the regular Nogales cancellation was stolen."
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R.—The letter "R" is a widely recognized postal abbreviation for "Registered" or "Registration." It forms a prominent part of the design of most of the registration stamps issued by the Colombian States.

II. The letter "R" was overprinted on certain French Colonial stamps used in the colony of Reunion between 1885 and 1891.

III. The letter "R" forms part of the design of all the locally produced stamps for the Indian state of Jhind. It is the initial of Raghbir Singh, who was at one time Rajah of the State.

RABAUL.—The chief town in the erstwhile German colony in New Guinea. The registration labels showing the name of this town were converted into provisional 3d. stamps by the victorious British forces occupying the territory in 1914.

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RAJPEEPLA.—A small district on the Deosatra Hills in Baroda, India, which issued stamps of its own in 1880. How long these continued in use is uncertain, but they have been obsolete for many years.

RAJ SERVICE. — An overprint found on certain Indian stamps. They were used by the Public Works Department of Jeypore and the overprint seems to have been more in the nature of a preventive of theft than as a mark to distinguish the stamps as a special issue for the State. The labels are, therefore, more of a private than an official nature.

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R. B.—An overprint found on certain South Australian stamps used between 1868 and 1874 on the correspondence of the Road Board Department. They were suppressed in 1874 in favor of the general issue of official stamps with the "O. S." overprint.

R. B. S.—An abbreviation for "rigsbank skilling" shown upon the first 4sk stamp of Denmark.

R. DE C. GARZON.—The inscription shown upon the type-set provisional stamps issued in Garzon. The first part of the inscription is an abbreviation for "Republica de Colombia."

RE.—The value in which some of the stamps of Corea are expressed. It is a coin of very small value, for the wen or woon contains 1000 of them and 25 re are only worth about 1c in United States currency.

REAL.—A Spanish money value expressed on the early stamps of Spain and its colonies, Mexico, Dominican Republic and various South and Central American states. As a rule, 8 reals were equal to a peso, but it had other equivalents.

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RECARGO.—The inscription shown upon the 5c Spanish war tax stamp of 1898-99. In this sense the word means "additional charge," referring to the extra fee charged under the tax.

RECEIPT.—An inscription shown on certain British 1d stamps originally issued for revenue purposes, which in 1881 were allowed to do duty as ordinary postage stamps.

RECIBOS.—A Spanish word meaning "receipt" found on certain revenue stamps of Spain which have been used for postage.

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RECONSTRUCTED PLATE. — A philatelic term applied to a number of stamps restored to the arrangement they occupied on the sheet in its original state. The early stamps of Great Britain can be easily reconstructed by the corner letters which differ on every stamp in a sheet. Other stamps, like the early issues of Bolivia and New South Wales can be reconstructed or plated, owing to the fact that each stamp on the plate differs in small particulars because the plates were engraved by hand. Other line engraved stamps can be plated owing to the development of minor peculiarities during the process of manufacture, and it is also possible to reconstruct many stamps produced by lithography owing to the presence of minute flaws and defects.

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A stalwart bulwark has fallen.

Just as we go to press this week the above clipping from the *New York Times* informs us of the death of John W. Scott of New York City. We do not know the particulars in connection with his death, but a wide circle of friends will be called upon to mourn the loss of one of the greatest men philately has produced.

Mr. Scott commenced dealing in stamps in London, England, in 1859, at the age of fourteen, thus early laying the foundation for a business that ultimately became one of the most lucrative in the history of the stamp trade. In 1863 Mr. Scott came to the United States and four years later founded the J. W. Scott Co., which he disposed of a few years ago to J. E. Handshaw of Smithtown Branch, N. Y.

Mr. Scott became interested in the early literature of the hobby and was the founder and first editor of what was known as the *American Journal of Philately*, and at the close of his dealing career published and edited the *Metropolitan Philatelist*. In the matter of stamp auctions he holds a unique record. He has to his credit the first stamp auction ever held in the United States, the date being May 28, 1870, and to these laurels he added the holding of the first stamp auction in London two years afterward, March 18, 1872.

One of the fine achievements of his career was his effort and energy in connection with the International Philatelic Exhibition held in New York in 1913. As secretary of the Association for Stamp Exhibitions, his longtime experience in stamp matters and devotion to the duties of his position earned the warmest commendation of his confreres. As treasurer of the Collectors' Club, he demonstrated his interest in the foremost of America's local organizations and at the annual meeting two days before his death, he was re-elected

In 1917 at the Clayton convention of the A. P. S. he was elected president and re-elected at the session held last year.

Only a bare outline of Mr. Scott's many activities can be given in this notice. He has frequently been referred to affectionately as the "Father of American Philately". We hope that at some not far distant day someone who is well acquainted with Mr. Scott's activities will furnish us with a more adequate record of his philatelic life. We are indebted to "Who's Who in Philately" for some of the facts as stated above and several friends, including J. C. Morgenthau, A. W. Batchelder, J. M. Bartels and Allen S. Davenport have written us or sent clippings concerning the death of the "Grand Old Man" of Philately.

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—Of all the season's greetings that we received there was none more original than extended by Herman W. Boers of Detroit. It consisted of a handsome brown card to which was fastened a chestnut with the accompanying sentiment:—"Wishing you the Same Old Chestnut—a Happy New Year for 1919."

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from Wm. L. Aldrich and W. E. Egbert.

—We have received from George C. Rockfellow one of the U. S. War Savings Certificate stamps for 1919. It is in a fine shade of blue and bears the head of Franklin and Mr. Rockfellow writes:—"I have already noticed a minor plate variety, viz.: a diagonal line of blue about 2 mm. long across the top leaf on the right hand side."

—A. Miller, the manager of the Exchange Stamp Co., Auburn, Cal., informs us that the date of their next auction sale has been changed from Jan. 25 to Jan. 31.

—"I am ambitious to plate the first stamp issued by Spain—Spain No. 1, 1850, 6c black. A good deal of study on this stamp has found over twenty plate variations—all of them clear cut and ones that can be seen by any one without the use of too much imagination. Now, can any one tell me how many stamps there were in this plate and how they were arranged? Considering the fact that Moens does not tell in his book on Spain and the Madrid dealer, Miguel Galvez, did not know, I consider the question not an easy one to answer. I also would be very grateful to have anyone send me pairs or strips for tabulation purposes and will guarantee prompt return and acknowledgment of them."—J. HARPER BLAISDELL, 45 Bay State Rd., Boston, Mass.

—We have received an interesting letter from S. R. Secor of the 128th U. S. F. A. until recently located on the Verdun front. He writes us that he is homeward bound though it may be some time before he will reach his home in St. Louis. Mr. Secor voices the general satisfaction of the many collectors in the service who eagerly read the WEEKLY whenever a copy reaches them.

—Owing to business conditions and distance from New York, their main source of supply, the W. C. Phillips & Co. has removed from Reno to Hartford, Conn. Correspondents will please take notice.

—Any of our readers who have had trouble with Miss H. Pfersdorf, 58 New Chambers St., New York, should communicate at once with A. V. Dworak, Denison, Kansas.

—Any of our subscribers who are so minded can render a valuable service to a shut-in. There is an eighteen-year-old schoolboy by the name of Wilson Bridges, Watervliet, Mich., who has been laid up for over a year from a gunshot wound. He received both barrels in his right leg, has had several operations, and will have to have more, with prospects of being laid up for a year or two longer. A local collector has interested him in stamps, given him some duplicates and an album, and will be glad to have others send their spare duplicates. Our correspondent convinces us that the case is one of real merit.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Moving—We are beginning to sail in smoother waters so far as the printing of the WEEKLY is concerned and the irregularities for which the times were responsible are giving way to the old systematized procedure. The handling of the paper at the post office doubtlessly will improve and in short time the delivery of it will be as prompt, we hope, as it was in days gone by. The delays for which we are not to be charged have been regarded tolerantly by readers, we are glad to say; and at least, their complaints have not added to our burdens. The implied restrictions on the use of paper will soon be removed and we are planning a Victory Special for the end of the month. Our handbooks that have been promised for some months will soon be issued and the difficulties of the past will be forgotten. We are reminded that our latest handbook, "United States Postage Rates," by Joseph Waldo Sampson, is numbered twenty-five on our list and we have been told by several collectors that it is the most valuable work that we have published. These are pleasant words even though we suspect that they come from persons who are interested in U. S. covers.

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Mention—One of the shining stars of the WEEKLY staff, Mr. Elliott Perry, has been on a trip to Chicago, where he was heartily welcomed. Mr. Elliott is a great historian of early U. S. issues in particular and as for revenues, including match and medicine, we know of no one who has a working knowledge of them better than he. Many an hour has been spent by Mr. Perry in different cities with a philatelic past, poring over old newspapers and other records and the dicta that he has rescued for work, present and prospective, give him high place in the councils of philately. Like other competent observers of the trend of the times, Mr. Perry thinks that prices on fine old U. S. must be revised on an ascending scale.

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Matter—The non-appearance of material in our reading columns in season that has been awaiting publication which has been due to the "exigencies of make-up" when we use a six page form will soon be overcome. Also, correspondence has been neglected treating of this condition because of the uncertainty of prospects of resumption of our old form but short shrift will now be made of matters in abeyance.

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Many—From Mr. Lowell J. Ragatz, we have received the following testimony: "Occasionally, I have noticed your items concerning the use of high value stamps on parcels sent abroad. I have just received a 'part of cover' from a friend who is a captain with the American forces stationed in N. E. Siberia, which bears a total of $43.27 in U. S. postage stamps. This piece is six by eight inches and bears a block of eight $5, perforated 10; six 50 cent; two 12 cent and three 1 cent, all in superb condition,—finely centered, lightly canceled and fresh in appearance. In a note which accompanied the piece, my friend said that he and five friends had ordered new suits and overcoats from a Boston firm and that they had sent them boxed in a fibre case, well wrapped, by post. It must have been something of a parcel for I am told that mail addressed to forces in Siberia goes at the same rates as that addressed to Europe. I was rather surprised to find no revenue stamps used to pay the war tax on parcel post mail as I have paid this tax on parcels sent to members of the A. E. F. stationed in England, France and Italy. I am inclined to think that the parcel of overcoats, etc., originally bore revenues, too." Some time ago, Mr. Ragatz donned khaki and as an army field clerk, he has been in various camps and military posts. He is now at U. S. Nitrate Plant No. 1, Sheffield, Alabama, from where he probably will go to the Depot Quartermaster Offices in Atlanta.

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More—Speaking of high values, we recently had an opportunity to see the unwrapping of packages of currency from the Treasury Department at Washington, preparatory to the placing of the new money in the vaults used by the Federal Reserve Bank at Chicago. The wrappers with the high denominations were carefully preserved by the officers who were detailed as attendants at the unpacking and the covers with their stamps were used to check up the number of bundles,—and they must tally. The bundles were of different sizes and the officers said that there were more five dollar values than two dollar stamps used on the packages in this consignment. It is our belief that this custom of sending money by mail is one that benefits the collector by increasing the supply of dollar denominations in used condition that are available for the pages of the stamp albums.

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Merited—As showing how much the philatelic theme enters the thoughts of some of the philatelists who are still in service abroad, we subjoin the following extract from the letter just received from a first lieutenant, who we are glad to say thinks enough of the stamp business to consider it as a worthy means of gaining a livelihood: "Now that the big conflict is over, our thoughts quite naturally turn to what we will do when we return to the United States and again take up civil life occupations. I have just been trying to decide just what I would do and the other day I happened across a copy of the WEEKLY and of course, it revived my interest in stamp collecting. It also set me to thinking that stamp dealing might prove a very interesting and also profitable enterprise. It was with this idea in mind that I decided to write to you so that I could obtain all the information that I could and be prepared to go ahead carrying out my plans on my return."

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Multiply—This paper goes to great length to encourage recruiting to the ranks of collectors and also to the division of stamp dealers. The reasons for not confining ourselves to the encouragement of collectors only are not always fully understood judging from comments on our plan that sometimes reach us. Let it be known, first of all, that the more dealers there are the more advertising we are likely to carry. As much weight may be given to this selfish consideration on our part as you like, but here is what we are interested in. As the number of collectors increases, there must be more dealers so that collectors' wants may be supplied competitively. There should be a training-school for stamp dealers and we provide it. The way to get experience is to get into the business. In the probationary period, the weaker vessels are smashed while the ones destined to succeed become dealers worthy of the best traditions. The more dealers there are, the better collectors will be taken care of; and keen competition will make the dealers behave. The dealer who is going to turn the corners of honesty too sharply had better be caught young than to be allowed as an old rogue to make his forays into the ranks of dealers. There cannot be too many dealers of the right stripe for the collector's good.

EMBARGO REMOVED.

The War Trade Board has announced the removal of postage stamps cancelled and uncancelled from the export conservation list. The new ruling became effective Dec. 23, 1918.

Commerce Reports from which the above is gleaned also gives the information that the British War Mission has notified the War Trade Board that commencing Dec. 19 the "permit to purchase" system for purchases in the United States has been dispensed with. Stamp dealers both in this country and abroad will rejoice in the freedom of the seas that is now theirs.

THE BOOK SITUATION.

The second instalment of the *Dictionary* has just been issued and it makes a stocky insert of some 60 pages. The text is more fully illustrated than when it appeared in serial form and every collector who purchased the first section should order this one immediately. The cover of the book furnished with the first section was purposely made large enough to include the further instalments as issued. The *Dictionary* is fast nearing completion and will be a notable contribution to philatelic literature.

War conditions have seriously affected the publication of the Goodwin book on U. S. stamps, but it will be good news to at least one hundred of our subscribers to know that the work is being pushed rapidly forward to completion. Two sections of the book have been whipped into shape and the two remaining will be taken care of in the very near future. This book has been revised by a competent authority and numerous illustrations added. The edition will consist of 2000 and F. Hugh Vallancey, the British publisher, has already placed with us a substantial order.

Have you purchased the Sampson book on *U. S. Postage Rates*? It covers the subject in a comprehensive manner and is a reference book of great value to every collector of U. S. stamps. Price 10c.

We have several books and pamphlets in the making and now that labor conditions are easier they will be soon brought out. It is possible that *Postage Stamps Worth Fortunes* may be the next booklet to be issued. We shall run a large edition of it and plan to give it an extensive circulation, not only among philatelists but the general public.

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THE THREE CENTS VIOLET.

NOVEMBER 2, 1917, TO NOVEMBER 2, 1918.

By LOUIS G. BARRETT.

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DIE II. OFFSET PRINTED.

(To be referred to hereafter as Type IV.)

Like a bolt out of a clear sky, early in July there appeared what at first seemed to be only an extraordinary change in color of the three cents offset prints. Imperforate sheets received by the New York Post Office, July 15, were in a beautiful bright purple, so different from the existing perforates in their rather dull violet shades, as to be quite noticeable even to the non-philatelist, and they were even distributed by dealers without a suspicion of their true character. The plate number I possess of these imperforates is 8787, but there may be other earlier numbers which I have not seen.

For the same reason that the original recess plate Die II was brought into being, namely a lack of depth to the lines of Die I, so also with "offsets" it was thought possible to improve the quality of the impressions, gaining in depth and color.

So new photographic reproductions were made from the recess Die II in the same way that the former offset Die I had been made from the original recess Die I; with the difference above noted, that the subjects were shortened ½ mm., making the space between subjects vertically 3 mm. instead of 2½ mm.

The first plate of the new Die II offset process was 8720 and printing was begun on June 1 from this plate, the first impressions being in a *dull purple*, which is quite scarce. I have plate number block of 8760 in this same dull purple shade while 8765 is the earliest number I have in the bright purple, so it would appear that about forty plates were printed from in the dull purple ink, assuming, of course, that the plates went to press in the order of their numbering. All following printings to date have been in the bright purple of varying intensities. If it was the intention of the Bureau to improve the quality of their productions, it can hardly be said that they succeeded, for the new emissions are much cruder appearing, altho there is no question as to their having more depth of color.

All of the three cents plates made beginning with 8720 have been of the offset Die II, so it will be seen at once that the imperforates above mentioned as of plate 8787, and in the distinctive bright purple color, were of this Die II and not of Die I; in fact I have been informed that Die I offset printing does not exist imperforate.

Offset Die II differs from offset Die I in several important particulars, as follows.—

a. The shading below the jaw has been so altered that the noticeable double-chin characteristic of Die I has almost disappeared.

b. The eye, nose and mouth have been entirely redrawn.

c. On the "button" the center vertical line is entire with a dot at its middle; the lines at right and left of center line are broken.

d. All the six cross-lines on fold of drapery are heavy. (See illustration of Type IV.)

It is well to call attention to a recurring plate variety in this second "offset", type IV, which is really worthy of inclusion in any collection. On the stamp directly below the plate number from the top of N. E. panes, there is a conspicuous flaw of color directly below the S of U. S. and between it and the top of laurel spray. I have numbers 8775, 8782, 8804 and 8816, which show this flaw, and a correspondent informs me that about half of his top plate-numbers up to 9057 show it, so it is quite constant.

As in the earlier offset printings of Die I there are numerous varieties for the specialist in the printings from Die II.

Plate 8779 has the numbers appearing as tho "rubber-stamped," the same as noted for plate 8610.

Printings from plate 8784 have been seen having a smudged appearance, which might be mistaken by some for a double impression.

Plate 8810, however, is known distinctly double printed, the impression being off some ½ mm., as in the similar variety of offset plate 8615 of Die I.

Plate 8800 is also interesting in that on the left panes the two 8's were engraved slightly off-center to the *right* in relation to the adjoining stamp, and that then two zeroes were cut in at the *left* of the 8's so that the number 8800 has to be read from the *outside*, as in the earlier plate 8375. As the upper lobes of an 8 are smaller than the lower it is plainly evident how the error was made, of course in reverse on the plate, for both 8's have their bases *towards* the stamp, but as the plate number has to be looked at, they are inverted.

A right side plate number from Plate 8816 has all the numerals scratched in as with a pin, in the crudest manner, the numerals leaning slightly to the right and are of varying sizes; the 6 being 4 mm. tall. The whole number is 11 mm. long. A top plate number, however, from the same plate, is normal in every respect.

One of the most interesting of these numerous plate variations is such as is found on left, bottom pane from plate 8782. On the lower margin, just below the stamp at left of the "guide-line-arrow," (No. 100 in the pane) is a pin-scratched number 215, whose numerals lean to the right and are from 3½ to 4 mm. high. The perforations cut thru the upper part of them horizontally.

It was suspected that this might be some kind of an inspector's check number, but it is found that, owing to the numerous faults charged to the printers, certain of them for self-protection have taken the liberty of scratching the *press* number on the plates so that they could check up any errors laid at their doors. Thus it is known that this same number 215 appears in combination with other plate numbers than 8782, and also that there are other press-numbers to be found.

Here, indeed, is a new field for the specialist, adding emphasis to the open-

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Ha, ha, ha! you and me,
Little red stamp don't I love thee!

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UNITED STATES.—Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer has shown us the first of the new 1c stamps printed by the offset process which we described in our issue of November 30th. The strip of three which he received on cover showed plate number 9283 and was mailed from Federalsburg, Maryland. Mr. H. F. Colman also sends a complete sheet of one hundred from the same plate and states that these have just been placed on sale in Washington and as yet stamps from none of the other plates have been located. As this is the fifteenth plate made of the 1c for surface printing, it means that the fourteen with lower numbers are as yet to be found and we will await with great interest advice from our readers informing us that they have found them.

The sheet before us is printed in a very light washed out green on unwatermarked paper, perforated 11, and is the lower right pane. This stamp will without doubt be found in as many shades as its companion, the 3c surface print and we would not be at all surprised to find the double prints, the printed on the back and the imperforates.

1918 Surface print. Unwatermarked. Perf. 11.
1c light green.

Mr. Eugene Klein advises that he has learned of another sheet of the 3c surface print with direct impression on the back. This sheet is from plate No. 9088 and thirty of the hundred stamps show the second impression plainly. From the plate number we, of course, know that this is Type IV. Specialists in this one stamp alone will have their hands full and we trust that some of the lucky finders of these sheets will break them so we will all have a chance of securing blocks for our collections.

Mr. George Soulman sends for our inspection a block of four of the current 4c perforated 11 with a very sharp and distinct offset on the back. This is the reversed impression caused by the sheet underneath and is not to be confused with the direct impression on the back mentioned in the previous paragraph. Slight offsets on the back are common to all denominations, but we do not offhand recall sharp offsets on the current issue other than on the stamp just chronicled and the 3c Type IV.

Mr. J. Fred Shartle has shown us strips of three showing plate numbers of the current 25c Documentary. The strip from plate 1987 is in a deep shade. The white scroll lines are thin and the red portion heavy. The second strip is in a much lighter shade. The white lines are thick, while the red lines throughout are very thin. We do not believe the second strip to be from a different master plate as was the case with the 1c value that we chronicled on October 19th, but believe the second strip from a much worn plate.

We recently purchased a couple packs of playing cards and were surprised to find the stamps thereon with inverted surcharge. The surcharge, which was in red was also somewhat different from any that we have heretofore seen. We find on the first vertical line in very large figures "7c", followed with two more lines reading "R.P.C.Co. 1-25-'18".

1918, Rouletted, Watermarked U. S. I. R.
7c on 2c blue, inverted surcharge.

Mr. Galen S. Wallick in *The American Philatelist* for Dec. 1st quotes Treasury Decision 2594 dated Washington, D. C., November 28, 1918, and signed by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, wherein the several collectors of internal revenue are authorized to issue provisional "Stock Transfer" and "Future Delivery" surcharged stamps. The interesting portion of the order is as follows:—

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Mr. Wallick has seen the 10c value only and this was surcharged in purple diagonally by means of a rubber stamp "S.T." As he mentions, other values no doubt exist. As the surcharged stamps now current did not come into use until February 1, 1918, these provisional revenues were in use for a month and a half. Can any of our readers supply us with additional information?

AZORES.—A further value in the current series of Portugal has been overprinted for this Lusitanian possession—viz. the 3½c green. *Philatelia,* on whose authority we chronicle this stamp, also reports the issue of the following Postage Dues, in the usual type, with currency in *centavos* instead of reis.—½c slate, 1c orange, 2c slate-violet, 3c green, 4c grey-mauve, 5c carmine, 10c blue.—*Stamp Collecting.*

CANAL ZONE.—J. P. Coveleski advises us that there has been discovered one sheet of Scott's No. 41 (1c green and black) of the second type of surcharge issued in 1913 that has the top horizontal row without surcharge. Thus there are ten vertical pairs in which the upper stamp of each pair is without surcharge. Mr. Coveleski states that he knows of eight pairs unused and two used.

COOK ISLANDS.—For some months speculation has been rife on the subject of possible changes in the stamps of these Pacific islands. We now learn that an entirely new series is to be issued, consisting of the current stamps of New Zealand—1d Universal, and ½d, 1½d, 2d, 2½d, 3d, 4d, 4½d, 6d, 7½d, 9d and 1s, King George, overprinted with the name of the capital of the Dependency, RARATONGA. These are said to be in active preparation.—*Stamp Collecting.*

MOZAMBIQUE CO.—Mr. Fred J. Melville advises us that a very fine pictorial series is about to be issued. The entire set will consist of 16 values, as follows:—¼ centavo (native huts); ½c (ivory); 1c (maize); 1½c (rubber); 2c (sugar); 2½c (Rio Buzi); 5c (Beira); 7½c (orange trees); 8c (cotton); 10c (sisal); 15c (railway); 20c (cattle); 30c (copra); 40c (wattle); 50c (law courts) and 1 escudo (Arms). The stamps are bicolored and represent chiefly the staple products and views in the Mozambique Company's territories.

PALESTINE.—*Smith's Monthly Circular* notes that a variety of the provisional 5 mils on 1 piastre has been found, showing the overprint in olive green instead of black.

PANAMA.—We extract the following from a letter just at hand from J. P. Coveleski:—"No one seems to know how many pairs exist of Scott's No. 187 in horizontal, imperforate between condition. I own a pair that was used, but it is not on the original cover. Scott says there is no proof of these stamps having been regularly issued.

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PERSIA.—Lieut.-Col. Napier, writing to the *London Philatelist,* anent a local provisional issue at Kermansah during the Turkish occupation, says:—"These stamps were issued owing to the impossibility of getting fresh supplies from Teheran. They were issued in January, 1917, and remained in use till the end of March. As most of the copies used went to Turkey and were destroyed, they are exceedingly rare.....A new provisional," adds Col. Napier, "appeared about May 10th last, the green

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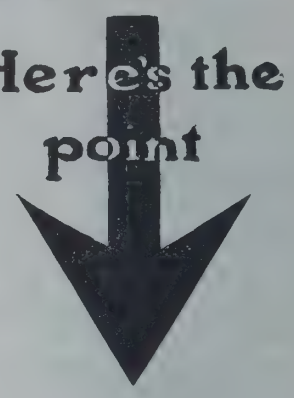

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and silver 2 krans of 1909 being overprinted '1336' in Persian characters. That 'Famine Relief Stamp' which I presented to the Society at the last meeting was, I hear, only issued in Teheran. It is known as the 'KHERIEB'—i. e., charity—stamp."—*Smith's Monthly Circular.*

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*21	1d **War Tax**, Queens staircase, Blk. of 4 o. g.	2.40
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*41	Jamaica, ½ **War Stamp**, No. 301, blk. of 4 including No. 301a	2.65
*42	3d **War Stamp**, No. 303, White back, o. g.	1.50
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*44	1sh White back, strip of 4, o.g.	3.00
45	1905-9, 5sh used, good	2.00
46	Kelantan, $1, fine, No. 9, cat. un'd	2.50
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*50	Japan 1916, 10s o. g. fine	2.50
*51	1908, 5y o. g. **Fine**	4.50
*52	1905, 3s block 4 o. g.	1.00
53	India, **George, 1r & 2r Service**,used	.50
54	Malay States, $1, $2 & $5, Used, Nos. 36, 37, 38	5.85
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*56	Nauru, complete, 13 var., o. g.	9.98
57	New Zealand, Auckland Exp., ½ & 1d used	.60
58	Auckland Exp., 6d, repaired a little but looks good	2.50
*59	New Britain, No. 101 (Rabaul), unused **Rare**	12.50
*60	No. 101c (**Kawieng**) Strip of 3, o. g.	..
*61	Niue. 1sh George, o. g., blk. of 4	..
*62	2sh surcharged **Niue** on 2sh N. Z., o. g.	..
*63	2sh surcharged **Niue** on 2sh N. Z., o. g. pair	..
*64	N. Borneo, **Red Cross**,1,2, 3, 4c,1916	3.35
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*75	Papua, Provisionals, 6 values, Nos. 71, 72, 73, 74, 75 & 77, o. g., fine, scarce	1.50
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77	Edward, mult. 10sh	1.00
*78	St. Vincent, **War Stamp**, No. 201, o. g., fine	1.00
*79	St. Kitts, 1½d **War Stamp**, Blk. of 12 o. g.	..
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84	1879, 90c fair copy	2.50
*85	**War** 1873, 10c o. g.	1.00
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87	No.1167,5pia on 1sh used,5 copies	2.50
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*93	Packet of 125 British Colonials face about o. g.	6.25
*94	Packet of 50 Diff. **War Stamps** o. g.	..

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are before us. Only two values have arrived so far, viz., 35 and 70 kopecs, the design being the same and showing a clenched fist grasping the hilt of a sword, in the act of breaking a chain, of five links, stretched across an oval frame. In the upper part of the latter is the lower half of what we presume to be the sun, and there is a background of wavy rays from that object. At the top of the stamp is the Russian word POCCIB and at the foot the denomination "35 KON 35" and "70 KON 70" respectively, the numerals being enclosed in square frames. In the upper spandrels there is some conventional ornamentation, differing somewhat in the two values.

The 35 kopecs stamp is in blue and the 70 kopecs in brown, and there is every indication that they have been produced at the State Printing Works. They are on white wove unwatermarked paper, perforated 13½. — *Stamp Collecting.*

SWITZERLAND.—Mr. G. Hemond shows us two new stamps recently issued for this country. They are Charity stamps, but in use for regular postage. The values submitted are the 10c and 15c. They are printed on cream colored paper, the former in red yellow and black, while the latter value is in violet, red, yellow and black. At the top of each stamp is the words PRO. JUVENTUTE—1918 and at the bottom HELVETIA. The 10c value has the head of an animal with a ring in its mouth. The 15c shows a coat of arms. Above the words at the bottom of each stamp are the values in figures, appearing at each side of the centre figure.

TURKS ISLANDS.—A. C. Roessler sends us a new 3d War Tax. The surcharge is applied in a very crude and indistinct fashion and consists of the words WAR TAX in a horizontal line on the lower part of the stamp. The surcharge is in red and is made up of sans serif capital letters. It is a local production and we are advised that only a small quantity was issued.

COLLECTORS' CLUB ANNUAL.

The twenty-second annual meeting of the Collectors' Club of New York was held December 2 at the Club Rooms, 120 West 49 St., New York, 16 being present.

The president, Theodore E. Steinway, made his annual report, naturally dwelling upon the war and expressing the hope that now that it is all over there will be an increased revival of Club life and of its philatelic pursuits. He observed that the Club was in excellent condition, well located and furnished and suited to the purposes and pursuits of a philatelic society. He touched briefly on the recent demise of one of the most active and devoted members, F. F. Falisse voicing the Club's sorrow at losing so valuable a man and member.

The Treasurer and Librarian, J. W. Scott's report showed the Club in good financial condition. The library is entirely rearranged and grown considerably of late.

The following Governors were elected to serve for three years: H. H. Wilson, Thomas L. Wells and H. M. Lewy.

At the election of officers, Theodore E. Steinway expressed the desire to retire from the presidency, giving important reasons for his resignation and the Board reluctantly accepted it. Mr. Steinway has been president for the last two years, during which he devoted a great deal of time and energy to its welfare, securing the new and greatly improved quarters, with the result that the Club is again assuming an important position among the philatelic fraternity.

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THREE CENTS VIOLET.

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ing sentence of this review. It is presumed that such markings will not be found occurring much longer, for it is, I believe, illegal to have plates for postage stamps bear any other inscriptions than the plate-number imprint, outside of the stamps themselves.

In regard to booklet plates in these types, it is probable that 8331, 8332, 8333 and 8334 are from recess die II, or Type II; while 8448, 8449, 8452 and 8460 are probably from offset Die II, or Type IV, altho I have no positive proofs that such is the case. It has been reported that booklets have been seen in the offset print of Type IV, but I have not seen them.

A collector wishing to have a sequence of blocks and plate numbers illustrative of the various changes and processes in this most interesting current stamp, could make a collection covering the ground, something after the following summary, bearing in mind, however, that perhaps in some cases the actual first or last plate of a given printing may not be immediately available, and that one should get the nearest number to those limits as is possible.

To show both the plate number and the "press-number" referred to above, however, a full bottom row, or better, a double row of twenty stamps is required.

SUMMARY IN BLOCKS OF FOUR; THREE CENTS, SERIES OF 1917-18, PERFORATED 11, ON PAPER WITHOUT WATERMARK.

Die I, Recess Plates. (Type I.)
1, block with *last* plate number, 8256.
1a, booklet page, with a plate number if possible.
1b, block with a plate number, imperforate.
1c, horizontal coil strip.
1d, vertical coil strip.
1e, double print from plate 8209.

Die II, Recess Plates. (Type II.)
2, block with *first* plate number, 8262.
2a, booklet page; with a plate number if possible.
2b, block with plate number 8357, (or any other), imperforate.
2c, horizontal coil strip.
2d, vertical coil strip. (?).
2e, block from worn plates 8266 or 8285.
2f, block with *last* plate number, 8367, of regular sequence, or any of the "orphan" plates ending with 8481, which is the actual *last* recess plate, as explained in text above.

Die I, Offset Plates. (Type III.)
3, block with *first* plate number, 8370; 1st printing, perfs. through number.
3a, block with plate number 8375; 2nd printing, perfs. through number.
3b, block with plate number 8379; 2nd printing, normal position.
3c, block with plate number 8381 *or* 8382; 3rd printing.
3d, block with plate number 8383; 4th printing.
3e, block with plate number 8384; 5th printing.
3f, block with plate number 8413, 8421 *or* 8556; 6th printing.
3g, block with plate number 8420; 7th printing.
3h, block with plate number 8559, 8560 *or* 8561; 8th printing.
3i, block with plate number 8417 *or* 8563; 9th printing.
3j, block with plate number 8610; ("rubber stamped") or others as mentioned in text.
3k, block with plate number 8596 (with "6" redrawn).
3l, Block with plate number 8615; double impression.
3m, block with plate number 8632 *or* 8656 (multiple plate numbers).
3n, block with plate number 8649; ("free hand" numerals).
3o, block with plate 8646 or 8647; (final numerals redrawn).
3p, block with plate number 8674; (large numerals).
3q, block with plate number 8717; spaced 3 mm. apart vertically.
3r, block with *last* plate number 8719.

Die II. Offset Plates. (Type IV).
4, block with *first* plate number 8720.
4a, block with plate number 8779; ("rubber stamped").
4b, block with plate number 8784; (smudge print).
4c, block with plate number 8787; (or any other) imperforate.
4d, block with plate number 8810; double impression.
4e, a top plate number block from N. E. pane showing flaw on stamp below plate number.
4f, bottom strip of 20 from S. W. pane of 8782 with additional number 215 (or other combinations) at right under stamp No. 100.
4g, a right side block from plate 8816 showing large pin-scratched numerals.
4h, booklet page, with a plate number, if possible; (?).
4i, block with *last* plate number; (yet to come). (?).

The last two items have not as yet been issued, with the possible exception of 4h which has been reported, but not verified, while there is every chance that the last of the offset plates is approaching, as there have been rumors of a return to recess plate printing.

At the present time, early in December, all the three cents stamps on sale at Boston P. O. are of the old Type I recess plates, with numbers running in the 72 hundreds, and quite distinctive shades from what earlier printings from these same plates showed. As an example, I purchased plate 7258 within the week in a deep violet shade, whereas an earlier block from the same plate purchased just a year ago this same week was in a rosy lavender shade; whether old plates have been put to press again or whether merely old stock is being worked off is unknown.

From the above descriptions the most casual reader will observe how important it is that where possible, plate number blocks or strips should be obtained to provide positive proof in a series such as has been discussed. The historical value alone of such a "sideline" collection as I have outlined above is very great, and will be of increasing value in the years to come.

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UNITED STATES.—Rumors are current that the Post Office Department contemplates issuing a series of Victory or Peace stamps but we have heard nothing definite as yet. It has also been said that a stamp to commemorate the taking over of the telephone and telegraph lines would appear but detailed information in regards to this variety is also lacking. We can state, however, that we feel quite confident that the 2c value will be printed by the offset method very shortly and that by the time the domestic postal rate is back to 2c the stamp will be on sale.

Speaking of the surface print, Mr. John N. Luff tells us that he received a cover postmarked New York, December 24th, with one of the new 1c values which would show that this variety was placed on sale in that city previous to the time when it was issued in Washington. We have seen a sheet of this stamp with phantom plate numbers similar to the 3c denomination which was described in our issue of December 14th, the sheet in question being No. 9283.

Mr. Charles M. Breder sends us a sheet of the 3c Type IV wherein the perforations start at the correct place at the top of the sheet but by the time the operator reached the bottom the perforations were cutting through the center. We get a complete stamp in each instance but we must object to having the right side of the stamp on the left side and vice versa. We have not been trained to expect them printed that way. They are great on economy at Washington at this time for anything passes inspection. They not only print them on one side as per our former custom but they are now turning up here and there printed on both sides. Reminds us of the old Confederate envelopes, when you have finished with one side turn them over and use the other.

We described in our December 21st issue the current 2c stamp, double print. We perhaps should have mentioned that this second print was caused by the sheet being smeared across the plate as it was taken up by the helper rather than by the sheet actually going through the press a second time. Mr. Percy M. Mann now shows us a block of fifteen of the 1c engraved showing a similar effect caused in part by a greatly over inked plate. This latter block was from the lower right pane of sheet No. 8399.

The Nassau Stamp Company has sent us first trip covers of the recent unsuccessful aeroplane flight between New York and Chicago which will go in our reference collection as marking another step towards the day when the country will be covered in its entirety through the air. The one from New York is postmarked with the regular "air mail" cancellation and is dated Dec. 17. The one from Chicago is dated Dec. 18. 12-M and is cancelled with the regular cancelling machine. Please, Mr. Second Assistant Postmaster General, use a special postmark in the future when you open up new routes. The cost would be a minor consideration but the results obtained both historically and philatelically would be of the greatest importance. We wish to mention that the 6c aeroplane stamp used on this cover is much lighter in shade than any we have seen in the east.

We wish to thank Messrs. Harmon Wendell, Karl Koslowski, John H. Feeman and others for current notes of interest.

BOLIVIA.—Mr. James D. Havens has shown us a cover containing a vertical pair of the current 2 centavos stamp showing a peculiar perforation. It is imperforate vertically, but about one third appears in the regular perforation. It is evident that the stamps must have been separated by cutting.

FEDERATED MALAY STATES.—(1446.)—Mr. C. L. Harte-Lovelace and Mr. C. L. Teck have shown us copies of the new 3c stamp recently issued It is the current type but of grey color. Mr. Harte-Lovelace advises that while on sale at some offices the stamp is not yet in general use.

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Mr. Cadbury adds that his correspondent informs him that the 5 Fr x 5 Fr No. 210 has also been surcharged but he did not send a copy.

They were on sale in the French P. O in Canton and do not have the additional Canton surcharge. The correspondent writes under date of Nov. 28 "The postmaster says he has only been allotted a small supply of these stamps". They were evidently not especially surcharged for the different P. O.'s in China. He also informs them that the Indo China stamps in current use in Canton with the Canton surcharge (France No. 1148 to 1164) had not yet appeared with new value surcharged in Chinese currency (cents and dollars) although it has been noted in various stamp papers the prospect of an issue of such a series for Indo China and the various surcharged issues for P. O.'s in China.

MESOPOTAMIA (IRAQ).—Copies of the complete series of Turkish pictorial stamps, overprinted with the words "Iraq in British Occupation" and new value in Indian currency, as described by us some time ago, have been shown by Mr. R. Roberts, Mr. F. T. G. Townsend, and other correspondents. The type used for the overprint would appear to have been far from satisfactory. —*Stamp Collecting.*

MEXICO.—Hermann Focke sends us the current 10c overprinted with a red cross and "5c" also in red. A strip of three rouletted is submitted. This makes a fourth variety of the current 10c as listed by Mr. Focke:—
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Mr. Focke submitted specimens of all these varieties.

PALESTINE.—Mr. Benj. Cadbury advises that he has received a copy of the 1 piastre stamp, perforated, in a very dark shade of indigo blue.

PHILIPPINES.—J. M. Bartels informs us that he has just received the current 6c perforated 10. This stamp appeared some time ago, perforated 11, but is only now making its appearance in the 10 guage.

SERBIA.—Specimens of a brand-new set of stamps for this country are to hand, says M. Th. Champion. They bear the double portrait of King Peter and Prince Alexander of Serbia, who is the prospective ruler over the greater Kingdom of the Jugo-Slavs.

The appearance of the stamps, so far as the actual impression is concerned, leaves much to be desired, says M. Champion. One must not overlook, however, the difficult circumstances under which they have been produced, and we have no doubt that future printings will show a marked improvement. Moreover, it is quite within the bounds of possibility that these new stamps will have quite a short life, if the unification of Serbia, Montenegro, and Bosnia-Herzegovina is to be philatelically signalized by the issue of postage stamps bearing the inscription of the new Kingdom of Jugo-Slavia.—*Stamp Collecting.*

ST. VINCENT.—We are in receipt of a new printing of the 1d War Stamp, this time the color being a salmon red. We also note that the sheet received has the Surcharge printed on a slant, as the words WAR STAMP at the top of the sheet are in the centre of the stamp, while at the bottom the surcharge is so far to the left that the W in WAR touches the perforation.

UKRAINIA.—Five prehistoric-looking labels have arrived from this South Russian republic. They are "fearfully and wonderfully made," and comprise four values, viz.:—10 chagivé, sepia; 20 chagivé, brown; 30 chagivé, ultramarine; 40 chagivé, emerald green, and 50 chagivé, vermilion.

They are illustrated in the *Madrid Filatélico*, the first and fourth having geometrical designs which we will not attempt to describe. The design of the 20 chagivé is the portrait of presumably a Ukrainian citizen, holding a scythe in his *left* hand (possibly he is a young Father Time), while on the 30 chagivé we discern, after patient analysis, an extremely crude head of a woman, or perhaps a goddess, reminiscent of the notorious "baker's boy" head of Corrientes and infinitely worse than the ugly heads of Antioquia, 1883-5 issue. The 50 chagivé stamp has the denomination in the centre, with floral and laurel ornamentation around. All are imperforate.—*Stamp Collecting.*

FORGED FOOCHOW PROVISIONALS.

We have received from a Shanghai correspondent a clipping from the *Shanghai Mercury* dated November 15, in which stamp collectors are warned that forged Foochow provisionals are being offered as genuine. We quote the article just as it appeared in the *Mercury*:—

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Usually the cancellation Postmark is also forged, which reads 'Foochow 12 Oct. 12,' but this also can be easily detected, as it is from a wood block, instead of the usual metal one, and the ink used instead of being the usual oily printing ink, is the ordinary Chinese water ink.

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(Under the caption of "An Invention Anniversary" the Philadelphia Evening Public Ledger of Friday, January 10 contained a very interesting article and one we think advisable to reprint. We have many clippings sent us, only a few of which can be used in our publication because little fresh matter is included. This article, however, has sufficient merit to reproduce and we thank W. J. Long for sending it.—W. O. W.)

Philatelists should be in high fettle today and very probably they are, for those amiable hobbyists are too keenly conscious of chronological values to be oblivious of a date of prime significance in the fascinating lore of stamp collecting. Moreover, those of us whose tastes are less highly specialized have also in this instance full warranty to recognize the anniversary, for January 10 marks the opening move from which the entire modern system of communication by letter (enemy countries temporarily excepted) is derived.

Inventions so simple as to appear by the illuminating rays of hindsight inevitable have long been imperfectly honored in a world whose admiration for the mysterious is ever profound and prompt. Thus the linotype, the airplane and the wireless provoke, as of course they should, respect and awe. No one marvels at the corkscrew and yet its originator must have been an ingenious and perspicacious chap. That he was a universal benefactor is admitted on reflection, though one seldom pauses to ponder upon the scope and efficacy of his achievement.

How seldom was disclosed a few years ago in Paris—that Mecca of monuments on an astonishing variety of subjects—when the suggestion was made that the inventor of bottle openers be memorialized in bronze. Probably rival names were submitted for his laurels, for accounts of the grateful construction of that statue have not yet crossed the seas, but no such confusion exists as regards the father of the modern postal service and the adhesive prepaid postage stamp. He was Sir Rowland Hill and seventy-nine years ago today his transparently simple, but none the less original, scheme went into operation in the island of Great Britain.

Familiar to philatelists, but often truly surprising to folk without the brotherhood is the fact that postage stamps date only from 1840. From the days of the epistolary bricks of Babylonians to the third year of the reign of Queen Victoria the delivery of correspondence had been crippled by complex and unwieldy machinery. Until the sixteenth century a trusty friend, a ship captain or a governmental legate irregularly performed mail carrying functions. The development of modern Continental Europe brought forward a much needed semblance of standardization and also a most lucrative monopoly.

The German Counts of Thurn and Taxis were officially declared hereditary postmasters of the Holy Roman Empire and of Spain. It was a goodly office profitable to its incumbent, but decidedly less so to patrons of the service. Mail delivery was both haphazard and hazardous and always expensive.

Postal arrangements were considerably reorganized in Britain under James I, but their inconveniences were numerous. The cost of dispatching letters was proportioned to the length of their journey. The recipient paid the charge. With certain improvements and modifications, fostered by the establishment of regular mail-coach routes, this system obtained in England—with imitations in America—until railroads started to revolutionize civilization. It was soon evident then that the awkwardness of postal services was both unnecessary and pitifully archaic.

A British educator with a bent for statistics and reform was aroused to the situation. Sir Rowland Hill held no office in the Government and the Post-office Department, tainted with circumlocution, resented interference. But Hill's admirably reasoned pamphlet, "Post Office Reform" was too obviously pertinent to be ignored.

The author had successfully demonstrated that the difference in the carrying cost of a letter sent from Threadneedle street, London, to St. Martin's Lane, and one dispatched from the capital to Edinburgh was infinitesimal. It was, to be specific, precisely the ninth of a farthing! The high cost of mail service was largely due to superfluous tangles in administration, such as the time wasted in working out charges on the number of sheets of paper contained in an envelope, on fixing prices by a distance schedule and in collecting payment from the receiver of the missive.

With convincing lucidity the reformer brushed all these snarls aside in urging a flat rate of one penny for all letters under a certain weight carried to any destination whatsoever in Great Britain and in advocating a prepayment system. Any difficulties in that plan "might be obviated," declared the pamphlet, "by using a bit of paper just large enough to bear the stamp and covered at the back with a glutinous wash, which by applying a bit of moisture might be attached to the back of the letter." The invention of that indispensable scrap of paper, the modern postage stamp, dates from this modestly advanced suggestion.

Even the circumlocution office was stirred by this proposed new instrument of civilization. January 10, 1840, saw the penny postage scheme operative in Great Britain. Six months later an adhesive prepaid stamp, a remarkable creation, ten times the size of its descendants appeared. Collectors cry for it. King George, an indefatigable philatelist probably owns one. Its principal feature is an idealized portrait of his grandmother, Queen Victoria.

Before the forties were finished stamps had come down in size, and the first American Government issues, in 1847, bear, save in the absence of perforation, a normal aspect. By the fifties the leading countries of the world had reformed their postal systems and were using the adhesive paper. Its existence and that of the whole postal administration, later admirably organized for international purposes in the Universal Postal Union, with headquarters at Berne, were soon serenely accepted as matters of course. It is not easy to regard them as "inventions." Yet such is their incontestable due today.

DEATH OF GEORGE R. TUTTLE.

Following closely upon the death of the veteran philatelist, John W. Scott, comes the sad news from J. M. Bartels that George R. Tuttle, the well-known New York dealer passed away Friday, Jan. 10. He died quite suddenly. On Thursday, he was in his office and complained of a pain in his chest which, however, was not thought to be serious. The funeral occurred Sunday, Jan. 12, at 3 P. M. from his late residence, 356 Marlboro Rd., Brooklyn, N. Y.

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Biography—It would be a presumptuous biographer who would essay to sketch his career adequately. His life while consistent in a philatelic sense was so long and at times intensive that there is a wealth of material too great for any hurrying biographer to handle. On several occasions we have insisted to Mr. Scott that he write his autobiography, and in particular, last August at Cleveland, our importunities seemed to have some effect as Mr. Scott promised to take the idea seriously under consideration. It was represented to him that he could proceed leisurely with his task and he admitted that while he was not favorable to the personal or intimate note in the printed word of philately, he granted that his autobiography would touch upon many of the momentous questions of philately as they developed from year to year. We regret it greatly that to our knowledge, Mr. Scott did not leave a personal record of his associations with stamps. His memoirs would have been a history of philately for all times. As it is, there is a paucity of printed records, comparatively speaking, of the achievements of Mr. Scott that impresses the one who would live his life by the proxy of print; and the thought becomes conviction that Mr. Scott deprecated any advertising that became personal in its references. He was ready to extol his business but he preferred that he, himself, be left out of the calculations. This blend of modesty and dignity was known to many of Mr. Scott's friends.

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Confidences—While the sparseness of published detail about Mr. Scott has been remarked, it is something to say that Mr. Scott would relate reminiscences that ran the gamut down from important affairs to incidents of human interest. His experiences embraced all the big moments in philately for many years; and he could regale a friendly circle with recitals of engrossing interest. His stories of persons sometimes afforded an insight into the central workings of philately and the lights and shadows of philately were thrown on the screen in rapid succession. Those who have had the privilege of listening to the stories of past and present as told with real art have pleasant recollections of Mr. Scott whom they will miss not only as a philatelic sage but as a delightful companion. The Collectors' Club in New York City was very close to Mr. Scott's affections and he made no secret of having the intention to remember the institution in his will.

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Brief—Early in the '60's, John Walter Scott was established as a dealer in stamps and coins in New York City. While of English birth, he found his new home most congenial in a business sense; and he forged ahead to become by 1870, perhaps the best known philatelist in the country. By that time, he had published the *American Journal of Philately*, first series; organized the National Philatelic Society, New York, and otherwise made his mark as an alert, aggressive and intelligent purveyor to the wants of the growing ranks of stamp collectors. His regard for stamps was genuine and his knowledge gave him an advantage over many of his competitors with some of whom he would have a spirited brush at times. His business grew by leaps and bounds and a decade later, by reason of his catalogues, his stamp albums, particularly the International, not to mention other items, he was *facile princeps*. Still under the age of forty, he was the dominant figure in the commercial life of philately. In 1885, Mr. Scott sold his business to the Scott Stamp and Coin Company organized by G. B. Calman and Mr. Scott retired from the business side of philately, although he took the editorship of the *American Journal of Philately*, the second series of which was revived in January, 1888. Soon afterwards in 1889, he formed the J. W. Scott Co., Limited, and became its manager. Some years ago, he retired permanently from the ranks of dealers.

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Head—At the time of his death, Mr. Scott was president of the American Philatelic Society for the second year. He presided at the convention at Cleveland last year, where he entered heartily into the spirit of the occasion. Mr. Scott told of his plan to spend his declining years in upbuilding the Collectors' Club and helping philately in different ways. All his words tended to show that his allegiance to philately was undying. Not alone was Mr. Scott a faithful philatelist but he was a student of stamps as well, as his catalogues and occasional contributions proved. Mr. Scott did much to advance stamp collecting in America and his business methods were of an approved kind. While conservative in some respects, this very attribute did much to inspire respect for the commodities in which he dealt. His advertisements never got the swing of modern day publicity but there was something engaging in their unbending dignity. Mr. Scott must have found recent years pleasant, although he did speak of having undergone a severe trial that required the correction of the surgeon's knife, recently, as he knew that he had labored well for not himself alone but also for his beloved philately. Mr. Scott took his profession somewhat seriously and pursued a course that while courteous was not lacking in independence. He always had the courage of his philatelic convictions and his enterprise took different forms. He held the first auction sale in London as an experiment in 1871 or thereabouts. His catalogues and special works on stamps were conceived and offered in full confidence of their acceptance. His faith in stamps never faltered and when he disposed of his interest in 1885, it was said that he had "accumulated a comfortable fortune."

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Rest—A writer once claimed that identification with philately was conducive to longevity; and he adduced many instances to prove his point. It is a coincidence that many ardent philatelists live to an advanced age and while the years of Mr. Scott, seventy-five, were not remarkable yet they are very full measure. His death emphasizes the probability that he is the last philatelist who has lived publicly, in a sense, whose life has bridged philately from its infancy to its present position of strength. As a veteran, he is acclaimed and as a worker in the cause to the end of his days, he is revered.

EIGHT NEW NAMES FROM KLEIN.

Outside of the 31 new subscriptions received from the Edgewood Stamp Co., 8 new names from Eugene Klein is the outstanding figure of the past week's campaign for new subscriptions. We are obliged to Mr. Klein for his co-operation and publicly recognize the consistent work that he has done during the past year in presenting the merits of the WEEKLY to his trade acquaintances and patrons. The Apex Stamp Co. of Bradford, Mass., is a new comer and will be heard from without doubt in the coming weeks. Bear in mind that the record below dates from October 1, and any subscription received within the past ten days is not entered in this record. The most active contestants for honors since our last report was made follow:—

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Below is the list in revised form brought up to January 4. If you can use some subscription forms write for them and have your name entered upon this roll of honor:—

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COMMUNICATION.

(We do not hold ourselves responsible for the views expressed by our readers. Our columns are always open for communications of general interest.—Ed.)

EBENSBURG, PA., Jan. 8, 1919.

Gentlemen:

As a regular reader of MEKEEL'S for a number of years I want to again express my appreciation of the paper.

The special object in writing this note is to express my disgust for some of the communications recently published anent stamps of countries we have recently been at war with and their allies, and to express my appreciation of the letter of Mr. T. Russell Hungerford in the last issue, and also your editorial.

I wonder if the gentlemen who are still venting their hate are not aware that the war is over. Germany is paying a tremendous price for her sins, and she will continue to pay. To express such hatred at any time and specially now that the war is over is showing small caliber indeed, and a spirit of hatred even more bitter than Germany showed. We thought she was a past master at hating.

Some day these same people who are cleaning out German and German allies stamps will be heartily sorry, and will be scrambling to get them. If they would just not be in too big a hurry time will take care of some things, cool off their hate, and show the way.

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—We have received quite a bunch of clippings from Norman J. Harrar consisting of the Stamp Department of the Pittsburgh, (Pa.), *Gazette-Times*, A. S. Jessup, editor. We take this opportunity of complimenting Mr. Jessup upon the merit of his effort and it must redound to the benefit of Pittsburgh philately. Mr. Harrar writes in connection with the current 3c stamp:—"The shades are very numerous and with the various types, straight edges, etc., the field is a large one. At present I have over seven hundred varieties and many of my friends thought it impossible until they saw for themselves."

—H. E. Kleist, 10741 Ave. H, Chicago, Ill., would like to secure Whole Number 1388 of the WEEKLY to complete his file for that year. Who is the fellow-philatelist who will meet the need?

—We are informed by J. M. Bartels that Dr. Carroll Chase has been seriously ill, having contracted an infection in his surgical work in France. He is now on the highroad to recovery.

—A. M. McFadden of Cherrydale, Va., also reports Arthur DeMund as failing to reply to letters sent him.

—A subscriber sends us a clipping from the *World's Markets* which deals with "Seaplanes as an aid to Mail Liners." The correspondent of the publication argues that there would be a great saving in time made by despatching letters by air when a steamer is approaching the coast, and it is stated that letters posted in London could in this way be delivered in New York or vice versa within four days.

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—A serious fire visited Halifax, N. S., on Jan. 9, and the Roy Building, in which was the office of W. W. Walsh, was destroyed. Mr. Walsh writes us that luckily his stamps were in the vault at his home, so his loss was slight. He is now in the Metropole Building.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from Benj. Cadbury, L. Reggiani, Leonard O. Kirschner, Mrs. E. W. Oughtred, Walter S. Wilmot and A. S. Davenport.

—We have never seen chronicled the Virginia 5c State Revenue used in connection with the delivery of intoxicating liquors within that state. The law requires an affidavit, and one of these stamps is pasted on each instrument. The color of the stamp before us is green, in the center is the seal of the state, above is the inscription "5 Cents 5" and below are the words "State Revenue". There is nothing upon the face of the stamp to indicate the specific purpose for which it is used. It might be well for those who are interested in this stamp to procure it in the immediate future, inasmuch as history is being made so rapidly these days. The stamp is the size of our regular 1c adhesive.

ODD CANCELLATIONS.

(We have received from L. A. Hall a clipping from the Waterbury (Conn.) American, which we quote below. The Mr. Sanborn referred to is M. Ray Sanborn, president of the New Haven Philatelic Society, who is preparing a history of the Waterbury mail service.—W. O. W.)

During a period of time extending backward from 1878 Mr. Sanborn has found that there was employed at the Waterbury Post Office a man who had many original ideas in the cancelling of stamps and letters. Hundreds of letters passed from the Waterbury Post Office bearing small hand-carved wood cuts that exactly fitted the cancellation form and these envelopes, bearing the unique markings, are now eagerly sought after by collectors.

Envelopes have come to light with cancellations representing a small elephant, evidently in use during a political campaign in that city. Another cancellation of a heart and arrow was on valentine mail. The fall season of the year was marked by large oak leaves on the cancellation form and the spring by a small spray of flowers.

One envelope mailed at the Waterbury Post Office years ago has been found in Buffalo, N. Y., where in the cancellation mark there appears a hen with widespread wings rushing toward one end of the envelope.

According to Mr. Sanborn some of the most interesting of the cancellation marks are yet to be found and the chances are that more than one attic in Waterbury contains one or more of these valuable old envelopes with the unique markings.

From envelopes that have already come into the hands of collectors it is apparent that the Waterbury Post Office employee was a master at the art of engraving or rather carving, for all of the many small stampings were made from wood cuts. Mr. Sanborn has sent many of the Waterbury-marked envelopes to Washington for inspection.

IVAN E. GOODNER ALIAS L. TRAXLER.

We are advised by P. M. Weiss of the Queen City Stamp & Coin Co. that Ivan E. Goodner of Dayton, O., has been bound over to the Federal Grand Jury under bail of $500 on, the charge of using the U. S. mails to defraud. Goodner offers the excuse that he did not mean to defraud any dealers but with the idea of going into the stamp business he secured selections from dealers to get an idea as to selling prices. Dealers having any evidence against Goodner are urged to communicate with the P. O. Inspector at Dayton.

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The late Sir John Henniker Heaton, that ardent postal reformer, aptly claimed that he was sticking the British Empire together with a penny stamp, and there is no doubt that had he lived he would have impressed the British Post Office with the crying need and the crowning merit of its own War Tax adhesives. The conservatism of the British Post Office with regard to War stamps is a quality also displayed by the Army Postal Service itself, for, although the latter is a system established with the co-operation of the Inspector-General of Communications, and has performed wonders for vast armies in various theatres of war, there has been (except in the case of Palestine) a total lack of foresight in regard to the postal needs of the civilian populations in places occupied by the advancing armies. It is nothing less than appalling, for example, that, though there had been ample time to prepare suitable postage stamps for German East Africa, the best the authorities could do to signalize the conquest of the Germans and the occupation of their vast territory was to overprint the stamps of the adjoining British Colony with the initials "G.E.A." (German East Africa)—a moral concession to the defeated enemy which no one has *yet* been able to understand.

The King of the Hedjaz set a commendable example when, as the Grand Shereef of Mecca, after he had defeated the tyrannous Turk, he declared his territory independent of the Ottoman Empire and issued distinctive postage stamps to take the place of the Turkish stamps which were previously used there. These stamps of the Kingdom of the Hedjaz are handsome and characteristically Arabesque, and their issue affords an unmistakable index of the permanent character of the action of the ruler of the sacred centre of Mussulman faith.

There have already been several issues of postage stamps for this Arabian kingdom. The first appeared in August 1916, and comprised an "emergency" set of one piastre stamps, which were designed and printed by the Survey of Egypt to the order of the Intelligence Office, Cairo, acting on behalf of the Grand Shereef. These stamps bore, in the centre, the Arabic words "MAKKA EL MOKARRAMA" (Holy Mecca), and at top and bottom respectively, the Arabic inscriptions "BARID HEJAZI" (Hedjaz Post) and "QERSH SAGH" (one piastre), with Arabic numerals in the lower corners and the date of the Arabic year 1334 (Lunar year after the prophet Mohammed's flight from Mecca to Medina) in side panels. The main portion of the design, which was printed in Chinese blue, was taken from the detail of an ancient prayer-niche in the mosque of El Amri at Qus, in Upper Egypt, and the binding together of the design was taken from various sources, all purely Arabic.

An "emergency" ½ piastre stamp was issued in September 1916, the design incorporating inscriptions similar to the foregoing and being taken from the last page of a Koran in the mosque of Sultan Barquq, fourteenth century. This was followed in October by a ¼ piastre stamp, the design of which was worked up from one of the carved panels on the principal door of a Cairo mosque, the whole being printed in green, and the ½ piastre stamp in red. The respective denominations were indicated in Arabic in each case.

In February 1917, a stamp of the value of ⅛ piastre was issued, printed (in deep yellow) like the others at Giza, to the order of the Arab Bureau. The central ornament of the design of this ⅛ piastre label is based on a fragment of a Koran design from the tomb of Sultan el Churi, sixteenth century. The Arabesque ornament forming the background was taken from the stone carving on the sides of the entrance arch to the Wakfs Ministry in Cairo.

Stamps of the values of 20 paras and 2, 5, and 10 piastres, issued more recently, are also purely Arabesque in character, and the whole forms a fascinating group of souvenirs of the rise of this new Arabian kingdom. Supplies can be obtained from any stamp dealer, but the early issues are scarce and command fairly high prices.—*Traveller's Gazette.*

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The Postmaster-General's Department estimated an additional revenue from the extra half-penny of £796,000 per annum or £516,000 up to the end of the next financial year in June.

New 1½d stamps have been provided (see "Chronicle") and were put on sale in Melbourne on the 9th inst. The colour is as near black as it can be. It is very distinct from the other current Australian stamps, but the colour of itself would not be much preventative against forgery, for the stamp looks just like a photograph. At the bottom of the sheet, kindly sent us by Mr. Ackland, we notice a new imprint, namely, "T. S. Harrison" in one line with the words, "Australian Note and Stamp Printer," whereas on the ½d stamps recently issued, the imprint at foot has the words "T. S. Harrison, Commonwealth Stamp Printer" in one line. This will, of course, only concern ultra specialists, but we might remark that Mr. Harrison's proper designation is "Australian Note and Stamp Printer."

Quite recently the postal department sent an intimation to the daily press throughout the Commonwealth that complete sets, comprising all the stamps issued since the establishment of the Commonwealth, were obtainable at the various post offices, that those up to and including the 5sh were postmarked, while the 10sh, £1 and £2 stamps were overprinted "Specimen," and that the price of the set was 10sh. This has caused some commotion, for several of our readers seem to be of the opinion that this is something new, but it was merely a clever attempt at getting a free advertisement regarding sets of Commonwealth stamps which were put on sale several years ago. These sets do not comprise all the stamps issued since the establishment of the Commonwealth, for no notice is taken of the different watermarks of the Kangaroo designs. Should anyone purchase a set he would have to take a chance as to what it contains. The stamps are all obviously postmarked-to-order and are got up merely for sale to the public.

This is a most reprehensible practice and should be abandoned, for we contend that neither the Treasury nor the postal department have any right to enter into business as stamp dealers. Their function is to provide stamps for the purpose of pre-paying postage. Besides, the stamps produced for sale to the public do not cost more than 6d or 9d a thousand, a complete set would only cost a fraction of a penny, and yet the department asks 10sh for it without undertaking to give any service whatever in return, whereas the general public have to pay the face value of the stamps when in unused condition, and very much more than 10sh for similar stamps when they have been bona-fidely used through the post, so it can be readily seen therefore that the procedure of the postal department is unfair competition.

This is a matter in which we think the various philatelic societies throughout Australia should take action in order to maintain the dignity of the Commonwealth, for at the most, the sale of these "ready-made sets" could not add a very great deal to the revenue of the country, whereas the sale of ordinary unused specimens to collectors for which no service is rendered by the department does.

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Our Melbourne friends are still very much agitated regarding the penny King George stamps which were issued six or eight months ago on multiple watermark paper. So far as we can ascertain, 150,000 of these were printed and they were only put on sale in the Victorian post offices. The whole proceeding is very strange, for it would appear now that an ample supply of multiple paper was received to enable at least both ½d and 1d stamps to be printed in considerable numbers, for we are informed that supplies of the ½d stamp on the multiple paper are now obtainable at many post offices throughout the Commonwealth.

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Now that the terrible and destructive war which has ravaged the world for more than four years has happily ended in complete victory for the Allies and the United States, the time may be considered an opportune one for a brief survey of the stamps which owe their origin to the machinations of Mars. The stamps are sufficiently numerous to form a specialistic study in themselves and while many, owing to the limited numbers issued, have already attained the ranks of practically unobtainable varieties and others are extremely rare and high priced, the vast majority are still within the means of the average collector. The appeal of these war stamps to all classes of collectors is obvious and though they have enjoyed enormous popularity in Europe since the first of the captured German colonies had its stamps overprinted "G. R. I." by the victorious New Zealand troops, it is only recently that their collection to any considerable extent has been a feature of philately over here. Naturally, directly Uncle Sam threw in his lot with the other believers in right and justice interest in war issues became more pronounced and at the present time most collectors have at least a few of these stamps in their albums.

Some idea of the number of varieties the war has given philately may be gleaned from a perusal of one or other of the excellent specialised catalogues published by various British and French dealers. The stamps themselves fall, as regards the issues of the Allied Powers, into three main groups, viz.:—

(1) Stamps issued for use in occupied territory.

(2) Stamps denoting special postal war taxes.

(3) Red Cross stamps.

Then there are special stamps issued by neutral countries for Charity or other special purposes or to denote increased postal charges directly attributible to the war.

Finally, there are the stamps issued by the enemy powers—a group finding little favor and worthy of but scant mention.

In this brief survey we purpose dealing with the various groups on the plan outlined above, starting with the stamps issued by the Allies for use in occupied or conquered territory. The vast majority of these have been issued under the jurisdiction of the victorious troops of the British Empire—a natural result when one considers that at one time or other during the war British forces were engaged on nineteen distinct fronts, viz., in Belgium, France, Italy, the Dardenelles, the Balkans, Egypt, Palestine, Persia, Mesopotamia, east, west, and southwest Africa, China, the Pacific Islands, Arabia, western Russia, northern Russia, Transcaucasia, and Siberia.

Starting with the erstwhile German colonies in their alphabetical order, we find that British troops operating in West Africa occupied the Cameroons and overprinted the Hun stamps captured there with the letters "C. E. F." and new values in shillings and pence. The letters signify "Cameroons Expeditionary Force." As a rule only small quantities of enemy stamps were found in the captured post offices but the Cameroons issue were an exception. A large consignment of all values was found on the German S. S. *Professor Woermann* at Freetown, Sierra Leone, with the result that the Cameroons are among the most plentiful of any of the overprinted Hun labels. Of the mark values 2000 of each were found, there were 100,000 of each of the 5pf and 10pf, and of most others there were at least 10,000.

Operations in East Africa extended over nearly two years before the "blond beast" was completely defeated by British troops. Mafia Island was taken first (March, 1915) and the only stamps found there were a few German East Africa fiscals which were overprinted "O. H. B. M. S. Mafia". In August a number of the "I. E. F." 1 anna stamps were overprinted "G. R.—Post Mafia" and in November all values of the same Indian issue were similarly treated. At the same time General Northy was operating from the Nyasaland side and in the territory cleaned up by his army some of the stamps of Nyasaland overprinted "N. F" (Northy's Force) were issued. In 1917, when the whole territory was under British jurisdiction a permanent issue was obtained from London this consisting of the current stamps of the East Africa and Uganda Protectorate overprinted "G. E. A".

On September 25th, 1914, German New Guinea was taken by the Australian forces and on the 17th of the following month the captured stamps were issued with an overprint consisting of "G. R. I" (George Rex, Imperator) and new values in shillings and pence. About the same period the island of Nauru (Marshall Islands) was taken possession of by the Australian Expeditionary Force and included with New Guinea for administrative purposes under the name of New Britain. The stamps found there were taken to Rabaul and overprinted in the same manner as the other enemy stamps. These provisionals being limited in number, did not last long and they were followed by contemporary stamps of the Australian Commonwealth overprinted "N. W. Pacific Islands." This issue was eventually superseded by one prepared in London consisting of current British stamps overprinted "Nauru" under which name, we believe, the whole territory is now administered.

Samoa surrendered to the New Zealand Expeditionary Force on August 29th, 1914—twenty-five days after the British Empire had declared war on the Hun. On the third day of the following month the captured Samoan stamps were issued with "G. R. I" overprint and as they formed the first war provisionals they were greeted with a tremendous demand. Although there were fair quantities of some values they were so quickly absorbed by members of the New Zealand army that before the end of September all had been sold. In the meantime a more or less permanent issue had been ordered from Wellington this consisting of contemporary stamps of New Zealand overprinted "Samoa".

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capital, was captured on Aug. 7th, 1914—only three days after war had started—and on August 26th the whole colony was surrendered. Gold Coast stamps without any overprint were used by the troops until the provisional stamps were ready. The provisionals were issued on October 1st, the Expeditionary Force having seized a quantity of Hun stamps at Kamina (about 100 miles from Lome) which were sent to the capital and overprinted there at the Catholic Mission. The overprint consisted of the words "TOGO—Anglo-French—Occupation" in three lines. Some of the 3pf and 5pf stamps were also surcharged "Half penny" and "One penny" respectively, but on all the others the German value remained unaltered. These provisionals were all exhausted by May, 1915, when they were replaced by contemporary stamps of the Gold Coast overprinted with the same words. These stamps were produced at Accra and owing to the limitations of the local printing office several interesting typographical errors were made. In the meantime a supply of stamps had been ordered from London and these were placed on sale in April, 1916. The overprint is somewhat like that produced at Accra but in slightly heavier type with thicker letters.

French troops gallantly operated with the British in the conquest of German Togoland as is clearly indicated in the overprints described above. The stamps captured at Kamina were divided between the French and British, and the former had their share overprinted at Porto-Novo in Dahomey. The overprint consisted of the words "TOGO—Occupation—franco-anglaise" in three lines and in addition the 3pf and 5pf stamps were surcharged "05" and "10" respectively. Another small supply was issued in January, 1915, these being overprinted at the Catholic Mission at Lome. This issue comprises some of the greatest rarities among the war stamps for of the 5 marks there were but three copies, of the 2 marks two and of the 1 mark only one! German stamps being exhausted the contemporary stamps of Dahomey were suitably overprinted for use in the territory administered by the French.

The French also took part in the subjugation of the Cameroons and though none of the Hun stamps were used contemporary stamps of Gabon were issued in November, 1915, for the use of the military. These stamps were overprinted "Corps Expeditionnaire—Franco-Anglaise—CAMEROUN" in three lines and were not sold to the public. In 1916, a series consisting of a mixed lot of the stamps of French Congo and Middle Congo were overprinted "Occupation Francaise du Cameroun" but after a short life these were replaced by a permanent set formed by overprinting the words "Cameroun Occupation Francaise" on the contemporary stamps of the Middle Congo.

Even little Belgium had her share in the conquest of the Hun on the Dark Continent for Belgian troops occupied that part of German East Africa contiguous to the Congo and celebrated this movement philatelically by issuing Belgian Congo stamps suitably overprinted for use in the conquered territory. Portuguese Colonial troops also had their part in helping to eliminate the Hun and occupied part of German East Africa. A series of four stamps overprinted with new values and "Kionga" on the 100r stamp of Lourenco Marques were used in the occupied terrain.

German Southwest Africa was cleaned up entirely by British South African troops under the gallant General Smuts but no special stamps or overprints were issued to signalise the conquest. The Marshall Islands, other than the island of Nauru, together with the Marianne and Caroline Islands were occupied by the Japanese on October 7th, 1914, and administered by them. Though enemy stamps were found in all these places none were overprinted nor were any special stamps of any kind issued in any of these islands. Some stamps were overprinted in red with the name seals of three Japanese officers and though these are interesting souvenirs of the occupation the marks do not appear to have had any postal or official significance.

Having disposed of the conquered lands of the noisome Hun, we now turn to a survey of the issues made by the British in places formerly under the heel of the unspeakable Turk. In the conquest of the Turk, Britain played a lone hand, and, in spite of early disasters, a steady persistency and refusal to acknowledge defeat resulted finally in the utter rout of the Turkish armies. There were two chief campaigns—one in Mesopotamia and another in Palestine—and in connection with these some of the most interesting of the war provisionals were issued.

When General Maude's forces occupied Baghdad, the most important town of Mesopotamia, after the series of victories around Kut-al-Amara, steps were immediately taken to re-organise or rather re-establish the postal service. A supply of British Indian stamps was not expected for some weeks and as the Turks had destroyed nearly everything at the head post-office before evacuating the city some difficulty was experienced in getting stamps of any sort. However, some were found in sub offices and others were bought back from merchants and private individuals who had small supplies. The result was a heterogeneous mixture of some six issues comprising twenty-five varieties. Of three varieties there were about 1000, of most less than 300 and in two cases less than 100, while the total supply accumulated was about 14,500 stamps. These stamps were all utilised for one of four denominations in Indian currency—¼a, ½a, 1a, and 2a. The overprint consisted of "In British" upwards at left, "Occupation" downwards at right, "Baghdad" across the top, and the value at base. There was no machinery available and very little European type and the stamps were laboriously surcharged by hand. The overprint, furthermore, was in several parts which had to be adjusted to fit the various shapes of the stamps. In fact, the overprinting of even so small a number as 14,500 stamps in this manner was a monumental job requiring an infinite amount of patience. The stamps were issued on the first day of September, 1917, and could hardly have lasted very long. In May, 1918, a new set was pre-Turkish pictorial issue of 1913 being overpared for use in Mesopotamia the printed "Iraq" at top, "In British" on left, "Occupation" at right and new value in annas or rupees at base. These were produced in London. The name "Iraq" covers the district between the Euphrates and Tigris almost coincident with ancient Babylonia in which district are several towns in addition to Baghdad.

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50	Brazil 1.25	50	Netherlands .45
30	Bulgaria ... .30	40	Newfoundl'd 2.25
60	Canada 1.40	30	New Zealand .45
50	Can.P. Revs. .75	100	Nicaragua.. 2.50
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25	Crete ..... .60	25	Queensland. .75
100	Cuba 2.30	32	Russia ..... .25
50	Denmark ... .50	100	Salvador ... 2.75
40	Dutch E. I. .75	20	Servia ..... .25
50	Ecuador ... .75	40	Siam 2.00
30	Egypt ..... .50	100	Spanish Col. .75
25	Finland .... .40	25	Straits ..... .45
75	France ..... .60	60	Sweden .... .65
50	Germany ... .50	40	Swiss ..... .60
100	Gt. Britain. 1.50	25	Transvaal ... .90
50	Greece ..... .75	15	Trinidad ... .35
50	Guatemala.. 1.00	17	Tunis ..... .35
19	Hawaii 1.00	100	Turkey 1.75
50	Hayti 1.65	6	U. of S. Afr. .14
50	Honduras... .65	75	Uruguay ... 2.75
20	Hong Kong .35	30	Venezuela .. .50
50	Hungary ... .60	20	Victoria ... .50
40	Iceland 1.75	10	West. Aust. .25
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23	2c green, 1861 issue, very fine ..	.45
24	3c red, 1861 issue, very fine	.15
*27	15c lilac, 1861 issue, mint	.60
35	6c yellow brown, very fine	.06
36	10c rose, very good	.45
*44	6c red brown, 1882, mint	.50
45	10c brown red, 1882, fine	.22
*45	10c dull rose, 1882, mint	1.10
*48c	8c violet black, 1892, mint	.90
*50-60	½c-50c Jubilee issue, mint	3.25
*50-65	½c-5.00 Jubilee issue complete.	21.00
50-60	½c-50c Jubilee issue, used ...	2.40
50-65	½c-50c Jubilee issue complete.	13.00
89-95	1c-50c K. Edward complete ..	.30
*96-103	1c-20c Quebec, complete, mint	1.10
*104-110	1-50c K. Geo., complete, mint	1.25
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96	10c green, 9x3 grill, average	.60
97	12c black, 9x3 grill, good	.60
119	15c brown and blue, 1869, average	1.00
112-22	complete 1869 issue, average..	17.00
137	6c carmine, 1870, grilled, good..	2.25
141	15c orange, 1870, trifle heavy can.	3.50
144	90c carm., 1870, trifle heavy can.	4.00
218	90c purple, 1888, fine	1.50
238	15c Columbian, good	.42
239	30c Columbian, good	.48
*230-41	1-1.00 Columbian, nice set	3.50
*285-90	1-10c Omaha, fine, mint	.75
*285-93	1-2.00 Omaha, complete, mint	7.00
*294-99	1-10c Pan American, mint set	.50
312	$2.00 1902 issue, good	.90
367	50c 1912-15 issue, fine	.07
368	$1.00 1912-15 issue, fine	.17
405	50c 1916-17, Perf. 10, fine	.06
406	$1.00 1916-17, Perf. 10, fine	.12
407	$2.00 1916-17, Perf. 10, INITIALED	.50
408	$5.00 1916-17, Perf. 10, fine	1.00
1450-61	1-$1.00 Parcel Post, fine	.50
*2087-98	1-$100.00 Newspaper Set, all originals except $5.00 value	6.00
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2295	25c Parcel Post Due, scarce	.50
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*127-143	Austria, 1h-10k complete,mint set of this scarce issue ..	9.00
*77-91	Bavaria, 3pf-20mks, 1911 set, mint set of this obsolete issue, rare	14.00
*16-20	Bechuanaland, 1887, shillings complete mint and superb	7.00
30a-45a	Bosnia, complete 1906 issue in imperf. pairs, usual canc'n	7.00
46-61	Bosnia, Birthday issue, very fine	3.75
*50-61	Cameroons, C. E. F. ½py-8py, mint	6.50
*83-97	Chile, 1c-10p complete set of this handsome pict'l issue	6.00
98-112	Chile, 1c-10p fine used copies	2.90
*401-411	China, 3p-2r Thibet, rare ..	11.00
*28-30	Cyprus, 1894 issue, mint	4.25
*31-37	Cyprus, 1896 issue, mint	2.25
6-9	Diego Suarez, 1890 issue, rare	4.50
50-59	Egypt, 1914, complete, fine..	1.00
*101-107	Ger. East Af. on Congo, mint	1.15
*1-6	Ger. New Guinea 1897, mint	2.10
*127-142	Gt. Britain, Edw. issue cpl...	14.00
*159-176	Gt. Britain, George issue cpl.	12.00
*1201-11	Gt. Brit., Morocco, mint, fine	7.00
*1212-19	Gt. Brit., Morocco, mint, fine	2.25
1-6	Hayti 1881, Imperfs., fine ..	5.00
*46-51	Hayti 1898, complete, mint ..	2.25
*1-3	Ionian Is. complete set, rare	3.25
*9-13	Leeward Is., ½-6py, mint ...	4.50
*51-62	Nyassa, 2½r-500r, fine, mint..	2.35
*46-58	Obock, 1c-1fr, mint	3.50
*170-183	Portugal, 2½r-1000r mint	3.75
*88-104	Russia 1913, complete, mint.	10.00
*105-107	Russia 1915, rare set	.45
*2-13	Spanish Morocco 1902-09, mint	4.00
*29-41	Tunis 1906, complete, mint..	2.50
281-5	Uruguay, 1-20c Dues, fine ..	.90

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*7	Br. Columbia, 3py 1866, mint	.85
*11	Br. Columbia, 25c 1867, fine	2.00
*12	Br. Columbia, 50c 1867, mint	6.50
1	New Brunswick, 3py 1851, good ..	5.50
2	New Brunswick, 6py 1851, average	15.00
*6	New Brunswick, 1c lilac, mint	.30
7a	New Brunswick, 5c green, fine....	.13
*6-10	" 1-10c 1860 issue, fine ..	1.50
1	Nova Scotia, 1py 1851, fair	7.00
2	Nova Scotia, 3py 1851, good	2.25
9	Nova Scotia, 2c lilac, 1860, good..	.45
10	Nova Scotia, 5c blue, 1860, good ..	.40
*5	Prince Ed. Island, 2py rose, mint	.22
*9	Prince Ed. Island, 4py black, mint	.17
*15	Prince Ed. Island, 6c black, mint.	.22

NEWFOUNDLAND

*1	1py brown violet, mint and fine..	1.50
*5a	5py brown violet, mint and fine..	4.00
*18	4py rose, 1863, mint	.40
*20	6py rose, 1863, mint	.20
*21	6½py rose, 1863, mint	1.25
*22	8py rose, 1863, mint	2.10
*23	1sh rose, 1863, mint	.45
*27	12c red brown, fine	.60
*28	13c orange, fine	.75
*29	24c blue, fine	.45
37	3c blue rouletted, fine	.50
38	5c blue rouletted, good	.30
*49	10c black, 1887, mint, scarce	.70
*53	6c carmine, 1890, mint	.30
*54	12c puce, 1890, mint, scarce	.70
*55-60	½-3c re-issue, complete	1.75
61-74	1-60c Cabot Jub., fine	3.00
*61-74	1-60c Cabot Jub., mint	3.40
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No. 306, 3py	1.25	..	..
No. 307, 2py	.15	1.40	..
No. 308, 1½py	.08	.65	6.00
No. 309. 3py	1.00	..	..

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	Per 100.	1000
No. 63	.75	..
No. 64	.50	..
No. 66	1.50	..
No. 67	1.10	10.00
No. 68	3.50	..
No. 65	.60	5.00
No. 309, War Tax	1.25	11.00

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No. 132	.25	..
No. 133	.15	..
No. 134	.75	..
No. 135	.60	..
No. 136	.25	..
No. 138	.70	..
No. 139	.60	..
No. 160	.10	..
No. 149	.16	1.50
No. 157	.15	..
No. 152	.16	1.50
No. 155	.25	..
No. 158	..	.90
No. 159	..	.40
No. 331	.15	1.30
No. 543	.05	.45
No. 544	.06	.50
No. 545	.06	.50
No. 548	.30	..
No. 550	1.00	..
No. 554	1.10	..
Bolivia, No. 87	1.25	..
Bolivia, No. 88	2.50	..
Brazil, No. 184	.50	..
Brazil, No. 185	2.75	..
Brazil, No. 191	.25	..
British Guiana		
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No. 139	1.20	..
No. 167	.70	6.50
No. 168	.80	7.50
No. 169	.80	7.50
No. 170	1.25	11.00
France, No. 122	1.40	..
Guatemala, No. 121	.40	3.50
No. 122	.40	3.50
No. 123	.75	7.00
No. 142	2.25	..
Honduras, No. 140, Each..	.70	..
Japan, No. 113	.30	2.50
No. 114	1.00	..
No. 137	.12	1.00
No. 140	.10	.90
No. 141	.12	1.10
No. 144	.30	..
Malta War Tax, ½py	.12	1.00
Dutch Indies, No. 59	.30	2.50
No. 111	.10	.70
No. 114	.20	..
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THE U. S. AEROPLANE STAMPS OF 1918.

By PHILIP H. WARD, JR.

Introduction.

The twelve months of 1918 which have just drawn to a close will stand out pre-eminently in the history of the world as the year of Victory for Right and Justice, as the year which saw the humbling of Hun "kultur" and all that we have come to associate with the name; the world was made safe for Democracy. Philatelically speaking it was an epoch making period in so far as the stamp emissions of our own country were concerned. We saw appear for the first time stamps designed and issued primarily for prepayment of postage upon mail carried by aeroplane.

The balloon had been used many years back as a means of communication and much has been written about the famous balloon post of 1870, whereby the inhabitants of the besieged city of Paris were able to communicate with the outside world. The aeroplane, however, as we know it today, is a modern invention and consequently its use as a mail carrier is of recent date.

The first official notice whereby the Post Office Department authorized the carrying of mail in this manner is contained in a newspaper clipping headed Washington, November 3, 1910, wherein we are informed that Postmaster General Frank H. Hitchcock has authorized J. A. D. McCurdy to carry the United States Mail from the steamship "Kaiserin Auguste Victoria", 50 miles out at sea to New York. The Hamburg-American Line prepared special covers to be used in connection with this trip but the steamship sailed before the necessary platform for the flight was ready and the steamship "Pennsylvania" was designated to take its place. However, when this latter vessel was ready to leave port an accident to the propeller of the aeroplane resulted in the machine remaining ashore and consequently what would have been the world's first aeroplane mail carrying trip was postponed indefinitely.

In the meantime this honor fell to India for on February 18, 1911, at an exhibition held at Allahabad, mail was carried via aeroplane for the first time in history. Later, on September 9th, a similar flight was made in England. On September 22, 1911, Postmaster General Hitchcock authorized an experimental mail route between the temporary sub station in the aviation grounds at Nassau Boulevard (Garden City Estates), Long Island, New York, and the post office at Meneola, N. Y., seven miles distant, during the "International Aviation Meet" September 23rd to October 1, 1911, inclusive. A flight was made each day with one exception and during this time 43,247 pieces of mail were carried. It is not my intention of covering and listing these air routes, for such information would fill a volume. Suffice to say that most exhibitions held during the next several years were granted the privilege of carrying mail in this manner. Those interested may locate air mail covers postmarked St. Louis, Minneapolis, Rochester, Louisville, Atlanta, Savannah, New Orleans, Milwaukee, etc., just to mention a few of the earlier flights. All of these trips were experimental only and were side attractions rather than efforts on the part of the Post Office Department to establish permanent routes.

CHAPTER ONE.

Aerial Mail Service Established.

The first aerial mail service in the United States was inaugurated on May 15th, 1918, with the departure of airplanes laden with letters from Washington via Philadelphia for New York and from New York via Philadelphia for Washington. The plane leaving Washington started at 11.45 A. M. and that from New York promptly at 11.30 A. M. Among those present at Potomac Park to bid godspeed to the machine which departed from Washington were the President and Mrs. Wilson, Postmaster General Burleson, Secretary of the Navy Daniels, Second Assistant Postmaster General Praeger, Third Assistant Dockery, Postmaster Chance, members of the Senate and House Post Office Committees and many others. The airplanes used were the property of the War Department and were piloted by members of the Aviation Service, Signal Reserve Corps. The flight from New York and the stop at Philadelphia also attracted a prominent attendance. The aviator leaving Washington failed to complete his trip on the 15th due to an accident, but the mail from New York reached Washington without delay.

It will be of interest to note that the first aeroplane stamp sold was affixed upon a letter from the Postmaster General to the Postmaster at New York, the letter reading as follows:

OFFICE OF POSTMASTER GENERAL,
May 15, 1918.

HON. T. H. PATTEN,
Postmaster, New York City.

My dear Mr. Patten: With this letter the Post Office Department inaugurates a regular aeroplane mail service. In this important work of developing an advanced medium of postal transportation, I feel that the Post Office Department will have the fullest co-operation of the New York post office in making it a success.

This letter will be despatched under the first aeroplane postage stamp to be sold by the department and canceled and autographed by the President of the United States. Please deliver the envelope to Mr. Noah Tausig, 111 Wall Street, New York City, who will arrange to have it sold at auction for the benefit of the Red Cross, and who will start the bidding at $1,000.

Sincerely yours,
A. S. BURLESON,
Postmaster General.

I had the pleasure of inspecting this cover, which had the first 24c aeroplane stamp upon it. The stamp had part of the sheet margins and upon this there were a number of initials including, among others, those of the Postmaster General, the Second Assistant, the Third Assistant, the Postmaster of Washington, the Chief of the Stamp Division and I cannot recall the others. The cover itself was, of course, autographed "Woodrow Wilson". The envelope was large and of the type that the Postmaster General uses for his private correspondence. This was finally sold in New York at auction and was purchased by Mr. Tausig for one thousand dollars.

With the starting of this service, the Post Office Department announced that daily trips would be made each way, the flights to start promptly at 11.30. The aeroplane from New York was scheduled to arrive in Philadelphia one hour later and at that point connections via train would be made with the surrounding cities. At 2.30 the plane was scheduled to reach Washington, making connection with fast trains for the south.

The airplanes leaving Washington were scheduled to reach Philadelphia at 1.30 and arrive in New York at 2.30 P. M., where prompt connections would be made with trains for New England and the West. The time taken for transportation of mail from Washington to New York by train, including the delivery at the post office, requires from six to seven hours, whereas via aeroplane not more than three and a half hours would be necessary, including the time taken to land. The post office advised the public that there would be a saving of at least two hours, and that a much greater saving of time would be made in most cases, due to the special delivery features in the cities and the prompt train connections for mail addressed to outlying districts. At the start twelve planes were in the service—three being at New York, six at Philadelphia and three at Washington.

For this special service a charge of 24c an ounce or fraction thereof was made in accordance with an Act of Congress which passed on May 10th and was signed by the President on the following day. The mail carried via aeroplane travels as first class and was given special delivery service at the city of destination. Parcels must not exceed 30 inches in girth and length combined, and must not exceed two pounds in weight. A 24c stamp was designed by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing and issued by the post office for this purpose, but I will treat of this emission at one time rather than furnish details here and there.

A special rubber stamp canceler was furnished the several offices which contained within a circle AIR MAIL SERVICE, WASH., N. Y., PHILA." and the name of the despatching city at the bottom. In the center we find the date and under this, FIRST TRIP. The same cancelers have been used since with the words FIRST TRIP omitted. Several different ink pads were used and as a result the cancellation is to be found in several colors. At the right of the postmark are four horizontal bars for the purpose of canceling the stamp.

In the *Official Bulletin* for June 19th we find a news item of interest, from which we quote:—

The Post Office Department authorizes the following:

"In the first month's operation of the Aerial Mail Service between New York, Philadelphia and Washington, a total of five and two-fifths tons of letter mail was transported. The planes carrying mail covered 11,109 miles and had a total of 157 hours 59 minutes in the air. The average speed through storm and fair weather for the month was slightly in excess of 70 miles an hour. Twenty-one out of 26 flights were completed at Belmont (N. Y.) before 4 o'clock in the afternoon, 12 of them being between 2.30 and 3 o'clock."

"Lieut. Edgerton has to his credit 20 perfect flights of 130 miles, never having to make a stop en route, and without damaging a plane. * * * In view of the success obtained in the first month's operation of the service and the fact that the capacity of the machines is not being fully utilized, the department has under consideration a reduction of the postage rate on aeroplane mail."

(To be continued.)

Stamps You Require, At Moderate Prices

Scott's No.		
124	**GREAT BRITAIN,** £1 Queen, fine	$3.25
140-142	**GREAT BRITAIN,** 5 shill, 25c; 10 shill., $1.35; 1 pound	3.25
1106	**GREAT BRITAIN,** Levant 40pa on ½p fine on piece	12.50
47	**GRENADA,** 2p, $1.35; No. 56*, 5 shill	2.75
78*	**INDIA,** 15 rup. Edward	6.75
108*	**FARIDKOT on India,** 1 rup	2.50
111*	**FARIDKOT on India,** 12 annas	2.50
208*	**FARIDKOT on India,** 1 rup., Service	3.00
1052-1063*	**LA CANEA (Italy)** 1c to 5 lire (except 1053-1054), Set	2.00
14-17*	**IVORY COAST,** 10c, $4.50; 15c, 45c; 25 or 50c	1.20
328	**MEXICO**—Sonora 10c unused, $2.50; used	3.00
328	**MEXICO**—Sonora 10c used, no embossing	2.00
414-419	**MEXICO** Oaxaca Issue, complete used	1.00
399-400*	**SALVADOR** 13c green rare, 25c; 50c brown	.60
134-139*	**PERU** 1 to 50c Jubilee Set	1.00
136-139	**PERU** 5c. 10c; 10c, 10c; 20c, 15c; 50c used or unused	.40
71-72*	**RUSSIA** 5 Roubles, $2.00; 10R	4.00
110*	**BRAZIL,** inverted head	3.50
109-112*	**CHILE** $1, 30c; $2, 55c; $5, $1.40; $10	2.75
113-123*	**CHILE** 2c to 60c, complete Set	.60
126-137*	**CHILE** 1c to 50c, complete Set	.60
43-50	**DANISH WEST INDIES,** used, complete Set	1.00
76	**BRAZIL** 700rs	2.75

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A VICTORY SET OF STAMPS.

It has been a matter of newspaper comment that a set of stamps would be very appropriate to celebrate the successful termination of the war. So influential a paper as the *New York Sun* has editorially advocated the plan. Stamp collectors generally would hail with great satisfaction a set made up of low values that would deal with patriotic subjects. In this connection Erwin Lyndall has submited to Postmaster General Burleson a letter on the subject which we deem of sufficient interest to reproduce. The list of subjects suggested by Mr. Lyndall is eminently appropriate and if you are interested in this matter write Mr. Burleson. We quote from Mr. Lyndall's letter as follows:—

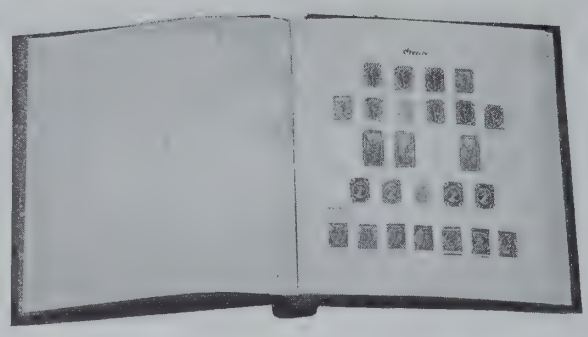
"Our country has not been treated to a new issue of postage stamps for quite a long time, and I am taking the liberty of writing you at this time and recommending that in view of the return of peace, with consequent endorsement of the principles of liberty, our country commemorate this occasion with a special issue of postage stamps.

Taking further liberty, I am prompted to recommend the following subjects as suitable for such a commemorate series,

1c Pennsylvania State House, Philadelphia.
2c Liberty Statue, New York Harbor.
3c Capitol Building, Washington.
4c Washington Monument, Washington.
5c Liberty Bell.
6c Betsy Ross Flag House, Philadelphia.
7c Faneuil Hall, Boston, Mass.
8c Landing of the Pilgrims, Plymouth Rock.
9c Washington crossing the Delaware.
10c Signing of the Declaration.

Trusting that this suggestion will be considered worthy of your attention, I beg to remain,

ERWIN LYNDALL.



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See my list of Revenue Bargains elsewhere in this issue.

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1502	Agriculture 3c unused	.28
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1508	Agriculture 30c unused	2.10
1514	Interior 1c used	.14
1515	Interior 2c unused	.04
1516	Interior 3c used	.03
1517	Interior 6c unused	.18
1518	Interior 10c unused	.24
1519	Interior 12c used	.18
1521	Interior 24c used	.28
1522	Interior 30c used	.28
1523	Interior 90c used	.90
1523	Interior 90c unused	1.75
1526	Justice 3c used	.40
1527	Justice 6c unused	1.00
1528	Justice 10c unused	1.15
1531	Justice 24c used	5.10
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1542	Navy 24c used	1.50
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1551	Postoffice 12c used	.30
1553	Postoffice 24c used	.32
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1574	Treasury 6c used	.04
1575	Treasury 7c used	.60
1576	Treasury 10c used	.12
1577	Treasury 12c used	.07
1578	Treasury 15c used	.09
1579	Treasury 24c used	1.20
1580	Treasury 30c used	.14
1581	Treasury 90c used	.22
1583	War 2c used	.06
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1589	War 15c used	.08
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1630	War 6c unused	.03
1630	War 6c used	.03
1632	War 12c unused	.15
1632	War 12c used	.12

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WENDOVER NEEFUS, = Hudson, N. Y.
"U. S. SPECIALIST" Established 1894

WITH THE TRADE.

First and foremost in the features of this special number is the big advertisement of the W. C. Phillips & Co. It is a marked contribution not only to the stability of this house but to this number in which we celebrate the approach of peace. The firm takes the two middle pages and our editorial page for the nonce is forced to occupy another place. These two pages are supplemented by another advertisement of a half page, constituting the finest piece of publicity that any stamp firm has approached for years. We may add parenthetically that it costs real money, too. Any firm that desires to duplicate the Phillips advertisement will be extended every consideration possible. During the past year Mr. Phillips, for the improvement of his health, went west and was first at Boise and more recently at Reno. He has, however, returned to Hartford, where he is much more conveniently situated in being near sources of supply. We feel quite positive that the attractive offers of this firm will touch a responsive chord in our subscription list.

There are several half-page advertisements in this issue and they speak an appreciation of MEKEEL'S WEEKLY that is gratifying to us. The Scott Stamp and Coin Co. repeats its adv. of last week emphasizing the change of address through the firm's removal into new quarters. Wendover Neefus whose "House of Satisfaction" has become familiar to our readers in more ways than one, takes a half page in two instalments. Mr. Neefus makes a specialty of United States stamps and his bargains in this issue are sure to receive consideration.

The Western Stamp Co. of Omaha has been advertising with us quite freely in recent months but in this number they extend a patronage that results in a wealth of material being displayed before the eyes of our readers. The firm has a way of listing the stamps of various countries singly and in this manner collectors can readily purchase just what they need, and at prices that are bound to beat out the approval selections. The dealer who advertises always puts his best foot forward and we bespeak a careful perusal of this announcement.

The page advertisement of the Marks Stamp Co. is supplemented by a reading notice that gives somewhat of an insight into the great business that this firm is carrying on.

Elsewhere we have given a brief sketch of the proprietor of the Indiana Stamp Co., Mr. E. T. Wallis, and in that sketch we have covered to a certain extent the activities of this firm. Heretofore so far as the WEEKLY was concerned Mr. Wallis has been content to advertise only auction sales, but this time the wealth of definite offerings must prove alluring.

The Voorhees auction advertisement emphasizes Mr. Voorhees' activity in this direction. The Fulton Stamp Co. uses a quarter page in the firm's accustomed place. C. L. Moreau, the manager of the company, prefers to take a quarter page space occasionally, claiming that it makes a stronger impression upon the mind and pocketbook than do several smaller advertisements. However, he has not yet won the Managing Editor over to the soundness of his contention.

The column advertisement of A. C. Roessler is full of good things. Anything that bears the name of Roessler is bound to be read as everybody who knows anything about him appreciates that he is a Hustler as well as a Roessler. In fact, the words are synonymous.

It is a well-known fact that the George W. Linn Co. makes a specialty of Mexico war stamps, but the firm in this issue shows that it has other resources. We are advised by the firm that it has arranged with the Southern Hotel of Columbus (the hotel where the A. P. S. held its convention in 1908) for an auction sale in one of its parlors. The management considers that such a sale will be good advertising, offers the parlor for continued use, and makes no charges for its occupancy. Here certainly is a lead for auction dealers in other cities. The Linn sale will occur on Feb. 11.

The United Stamp Company, Chicago, having faith in its Marquette Album, made it a leading advertising feature years ago. Season after season, the enterprising publishers have proclaimed its advantages to the reading public and it is fair to say that the album has become a standard requirement. A stout heart is needed to enforce recognition of a new album venture but when it is accepted, it is a tribute both to the album and its originators. Mr. Staub, the manager of the United Stamp Company, expresses his satisfaction over the successful reception of his album which is now considered one of the indispensable adjuncts of the collector. The merits of the Marquette Album have been confirmed by time in the estimation of the philatelic public and its hold on the regard of philatelists is growing stronger by reason of the increasing demand for it.

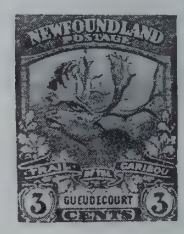
C. G. Dietrich is now located on Broadway, N. Y. City, his old stamping-ground, and he can be found at No. 171. Mr. Dietrich has advertised with us quite regularly in the past and he has an attractive eighth of page in this issue filled with desirable stamps at reasonable prices.

Dr. Lionel Hartley is determined to create a demand for foreign revenues and he has formulated a unique plan to further that interest. His large advertisement in this issue tells the story. Mr. Sledd makes Canada the subject of his offerings this week. His prices are reasonable and the specialist in this country should make it a point to read the Sledd advertisement carefully. A few weeks ago the Elk Exchange of St. Marys, Pa. outlined an exchange plan and those who are interested should apply for information The exchange of duplicates is so practical a way of building up a stamp collection that exchange societies and exchange clubs have a right place in the trade. The firm this week makes another appeal for the patronage of the collector with a well displayed advertisement.

The Belmont Stamp Co. of Philadelphia, with whom many of our subscribers have become acquainted during the past two years, makes an announcement of more than ordinary interest, and we bespeak for it a thorough reading. The city of Philadelphia is active from the trade standpoint and this company is seeking to maintain in a befitting manner the reputation of the city.

Two advertisements by the Colonial Stamp Co., one covering United States stamps and the other British Colonials, cannot fail to receive attention. Mr. Enelow, the proprietor of the company, has made a specialty of these two lines of stamps and this is particularly true of British Colonials. An attractive list of British Colonies in sets will be noted.

THE TRAIL OF THE CARIBOU.



We picture above the 3c value of the new "Caribou" Newfoundland set. There are twelve values in the set, ranging from 1c to 36c, and the design shown is the one shown on the 1, 3, 4, 6, 10, 15, 24 and 36c. On the remaining values, 2, 5, 8, and 12c, is the inscription "Royal Naval Reserve". On a tablet on each stamp is inscribed the name of one of the engagements in which the Newfoundland contingent took part.

VICTORY AND THE WAR STAMPS.

By FRED. J. MELVILLE.

One of the philatelic wonders of the war has been the boom in war stamps.

And now the war is over, what of the stamps?

Although the war is over, the issue of war stamps is far from ended. In fact the whole interest and fascination of collecting war stamps enters upon a new and what will doubtless prove a more wonderful phase.

Historic Souvenirs.—Peace with Victory means a great impetus to the interest we shall all take in our war collections. We shall complete our collections with the keener enthusiasm and the more pride in that they will be permanent memorials of how the Allies came through the fiery ordeal of four years and a quarter of the greatest war in history.

A Story Half Told.—But the story the war stamps will have to tell is as yet but half told. The sequel to the story is to come, and it promises to be a great and glorious one. The war has destroyed many things, but it has ended by creating many others, and by re-creating nations that have long been crushed under the heel of oppression.

Allied Occupation Stamps. — The coming year—or years—will see the introduction of scores of new stamp issues, all definitely and directly due to the great events of the war.

At the present early stage it is only possible to speculate vaguely on the nature of the new issues.

One very probable source of new war issues will be called for by the Allied Occupation of Enemy Territories. The Huns, the Austrians, the Bulgars and the Turks, during four years, have indulged their philatelic tastes in occupation issues which fill pages in the Berlin catalogues, but which will never be collected by patriotic British philatelists. The enemies have had their turn, and right lavishly have they used it, no doubt much to the temporary benefit of their depleted exchequers.

Philatelic Reprisals.—Now it will be the turn of the Allies. Serbia may have her philatelic revenge on the Bulgars and the Austrians for the Bulgarian and Austrian stamps that have been foisted upon Serbia—and there are other places which will henceforth be in Allied occupation.

Heligoland "King's Heads."—Philatelically and historically, it would be a welcome tribute to the British Navy to present an issue with King George's portrait, in naval uniform, on stamps for the possible occupation of Heligoland.

Stamps of the New Nations.—But possibly the greatest and most sustained interest to be provided in the forthcoming reconstruction issues will be the stamps of the new and the restored states which are being evolved out of the dismembered empires of Russia, Germany, Austria and Turkey.

There are already new stamps for the Ukraine, three in special pictorial designs and the other three—high values—surcharged on the familiar Russian stamps. Whether in time the Ukrainians are proved to be friendly or otherwise, their new stamp issue points out clearly that stamps are an essential to any modern organised government. They will be as necessary to the Jugo Slavs and the Czecho Slovaks. They have already come for the Finnish nation in its transition stage. They will come also for Poland, for Ararat, for Siberia, for Murmania, for Mesopotamia, Armenia, Syria, Albania.

The New German States.—It is early yet to prophesy, but it looks extremely probable that the pages long since closed in our albums for the states of Germany will be re-opened, not with braggart symbols of autocratic and military power, but of chastened and enlightened democracies. Some of them we may hesitate to accept in our albums, but others will surely present a strong appeal to our patriotism and philatelic enthusiasm—Schleswig Holstein, for instance.

The Trail of the Caribou.—Then there are some very interesting issues promised by our own overseas possessions. The Trail of the Caribou series of stamps from Newfoundland, expected shortly, will tell of the splendid work done by the brave lads of our oldest colony during the war. Some of them, I hear, will bear the initials of the Royal Naval Reserve, in which our sea-going Newfoundland comrades did valiant service. Others will bear the names of the great encounters in which the islanders took part; among these are the historic names of Suvla Bay, Guedecourt, Beaumont Hamel, Monchy, Steinbeck, Langemarck, Cambrai and Combles.

War Commemoratives.—Jamaica, too, is reported to have a 1½d stamp in preparation in honour of her fighting lads. The design will depict a contingent of Jamaican soldiers leaving the colony to fight with their Mother Country against the Huns.

An "Adhesive" Peace.—Without a doubt other colonies will follow the lead. Some will surely commemorate the happy consummation of the Empire's pledge not to sheathe the sword of Justice until the Ogre of Prussian militarism was crushed forever. There will be Peace stamps no less fascinating and full of interest than those of War.

Stick to Your—War Stamps.—So let none of us close his album of war stamps and say that its course is run, its story ended. The curtain has rung down upon the heart-rending first act—that is all. It will rise again to carry on the drama to its happy and glorious finale. The second act will be greater far than the first, and will lead up to the crowning triumph of the Allies in securing to all mankind the unalloyed blessings of Peace.

The Coming Grand Finale. — The stamps of this coming period—the second and final Act—will not be less numerous, varied and historically interesting than the issues of the past four years. They will be as attractive an investment, for there will be many provisionals. The world will be in process of transition from war to peace; some countries will not find their level at the first attempt; there will be changes and counter-changes. The very word transition calls up to the foresight of the philatelist prospective provisional issues, which the wise ones will endeavour to secure early, lest they become obsolete and high-priced in a few months, or perhaps even weeks.

Not Too Late to Begin Now.—To my readers, then, I say, stick to your war stamps; look out for the transition and reconstruction issues, and let not opportunity knock at your door in vain. To those who have not already collected war stamps, it is not too late to begin now. A fine display of them can be got together at comparatively small expense, at the present juncture, but with the end of the war many of the war stamps at present on the market will become obsolete and scarce.—*Stamp Lover.*

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These stamps will be sold at any price within reason, but will not be given away. Goods have a minimum market value. The best bid received on any item, above my reserve price, on or before February 10, takes the stuff. All stamps are in good condition. If any lots remain unsold after February 10th, they will be held open indefinitely for bids. But better get busy at once, if you can handle some of these lines. Stamps are in a rising market.

40 sets Antioquia 1899, mint, 1c to $2, 10 var. (no ½c).
1400 sets Belgium, Brussels Exp. 1896, 5 & 10c, 2 var. mint.
2100 sets Bolivia 1894, mint, 1c to 100c, 7 var., complete.
800 sets ditto 7 var. unused, but ungummed.
100 sets do., used, thin paper, fine copies, 6 var. (no 50c).
12 sets Br. East Afr. '90-94 mint, ½, 2, 3, 4, 4½, 5, 7½, 8a, 1r.
1000 sets Cuba 1899-05 used, 5 var. complete, 1c to 10c.
2000 sets Cuba 1899-05 used, 3, 5 and 10c, 3 var., fine copies.
100 sets Guatemala 1902, used, 2, 6 and 12½c, 3 var.
2500 sets Japan 1913, no watermark, ½ to 3 sen, 5 var. used.
2000 sets do. '13, no wtm. 7 var., ½, 1, 1½, 2, 3, 5 and 10s used.

Single Stamps, Unused:

35 Bolivia '94, 100c thin paper.
500 Brussels Exp., 1896, 10c.
200 Cayman Isl., 1908, ½p.
2300 Chili 1898, unpaid 10c.
50 Domin. Rep. 1915, ½ on 20c.
40 Domin. Rep. 1915, 1c on 1c.
150 New Foundland 1898, ½c.
150 Rhodesia 1899, ½p.
30 St. Christopher 1882, 1p.
28 St. Christopher 1884, 4p.
400 Serbia 1894, 1 din grn.
200 Soudan on Egypt 1897, 2m.
150 Soudan on Egypt 1897, 3m.
1200 Turks & Caicos Isls., 1905, ½p, ship type, multiple wtm. Cataloged 10c).

Single Stamps, Used:

100 Bolivia '94, 20c, thin paper.
100 Bolivia '94, 100c thin paper.
3500 China 1898, 1 and 2c.
1600 Cuba 1899, 3c fine cop.
100 Deccan 1871, ½ anna.
400 Dutch Ind., '02-09, 20 and 30c.
2500 Japan 1876, 5 rin.
5000 Japan 1883, 15 sen.
50000 Japan 1899, 20 sen.
5000 Japan 1899, 25 sen.
1500 Japan 1889, 50 sen.
1000 Japan 1899, 1 yen.
20 Natal 1875, 1 & 6p fisc. post.
400 Orange Colony 1894, 1p.
400 Philippines '06, 2c and 200, 4c.
2200 U. S. 1902, Spec. Del. 10c.

100 U. S. 1904, imported cigar revenue stamps, 25, 50 & 100 cigars.

Don't forget the date. Bids must be in by February 10th. Better send them in at once. We have a few other stamps of similar class, in quantities too small to list, which will be submitted to successful bidders of the above if so desired. All previous quotations are hereby cancelled.

A. N. RIDGELY, 20 Broad St., New York City

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United States.	Cat. Value.	Our Price
1902, 1c Imp. blk. 4, o. g.	$ .60	$ .35
1902, 8c No. 306a, blk. 4, o. g.	1.00	.65
1908, 1c Imp. blk. 4, o. g.	.20	.15
1908, 2c 324c, vert. pair, o. g.	.40	.18
Same, line pair	..	.35
Same, joint pair	..	.50
1908, 3c blk. 4, o. g.	.32	.25
1908, 4c blk. 4, o. g.	.40	.30
1908, 6c blk. 4, o. g.	.60	.45
1910, 1c No. 338d Vert. pair, o. g.	.10	.05
Same, line pair	..	.10
Same, joint pair	..	.15
1910, 2c, No. 339d Vert. pair, o. g.	.20	.10
Same, line pair	..	.20
Same, joint pair	..	.35
1912, 1c Center blk. o. g., Imp.	..	.35
1912, 2c plain blk., o. g. Imp.	.40	.25
Lincoln, Imp. plain blk., o. g.	.32	.20
1914, 3c No. 371, blk. 4, o.g."Red Back"		.35
1914, 4c No. 372, blk. 4, o. g. "Brown Back" RARE		1.50
1895, 2c Types 2 & 3, two of each in blk. 4, o. g., Scott's price for pairs is 75c		.90
P. P. Dues, 1c blk. 4,o.g.offset on back		.20
San Francisco 5c perf. 12, PRECANCELLED Cleveland, Inv. o.g.RARE		2.50
Same, blk. 4, o. g., fine		10.00
Same, straight edge single, o. g.		1.75
Same, 10c perf. 12, o. g., fine		4.00
Same, blk. 4, o. g., fine		15.00
Same, straight edge single, o. g.		3.00

These are from the small lot which we found, and are considered very rare. Get them while getting is good. We also have the 1 and 2c.

United States.	Cat. Value.	Our Price
U. S. 1916, $5.00 fine	2.00	1.25
Austria, 50kr No. 40, fine	.85	.60
Lombardy Venice, 10c No. 3, fine	.75	.60
Canada, 15c No. 39, fine	.60	.35
Canada, ½c No. 66, o. g., per 10	.50	.15
Canada, 6c No. 71, o. g.	.35	.15
Chili, 50c No. 56, scarce	.60	.35
Chili, 2 pesos No. 95, fine used	1.25	.75
Chili, 12c No. 103, blk. 4, o. g.	.72	.40
E. Af. Uganda, No.59,White bk.,o.g.	.40	.30
Germany,No.76,2M Gothic type,fine	1.50	1.00
Grenada War Tax, No. 201, o. g.	.60	.50
Jamaica, 4p No. 70, o. g. W. back	.40	.30
1sh No. 71, o. g. W. back	.75	.60
War Tax, 3p No. 302, o. g.	.35	.25
War Tax, 3p No.303,o.g.W.bk.	1.50	.85
1sh No. 68, fine, used	.30	.12
Luxemburg, No. 2, fine used (30 in stock)	4.00	2.75
Middle Congo, Red Cross, No. 101, o. g.	2.00	1.35
Netherlands No. 4, 5, 6, nice copies	2.27	1.25
New Brunswick, No. 6, o. g.	.50	.20
No. 7, blk. 4, no gum	.40	.12
No. 7a, blk. 4, no gum	1.00	.25
No. 8, o. g.	.50	.20
No. 10, o. g.	.50	.20
Peru, Special Del'y, No. 296, o.g.	2.00	1.00
Philippine, No. 241, book pane, o.g.		.15
No. 242, book pane, o. g.	..	.20
St. Lucia, 4p W. back, No. 73, o.g.	.50	.40
Trinidad & Tobago, 1sh W. back No. 9, o. g.	.85	.65

Who is interested in India, No. 2? We just bought a fine lot of covers, in all 150 copies, of this scarce stamp, including several pairs. Price on application.

We have for sale a fine lot of $20.00 Conveyance, it took the owner 10 years to accumulate these. There are 308 copies in the lot, of which 172 are perforated. The perforated include 2 horizontal pairs and a horizontal strip of three. The Imperforate include the following: 2 vertical pairs, 6 horizontal pairs, 1 horizontal strip 3, 2 vertical strips of three, a vertical strip of four, a vertical strip of five, a horizontal strip of 5 and a horizontal strip of six. There are many silk paper in the lot. This collection will only be sold as a whole. Price on application. Correspondence invited.

Is your collection for sale? Remember, we hold regular Auction Sales, and have a very large list of auction buyers. We will advance you a reasonable amount of cash pending the sale of your stamps at auction. Terms on application.

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EDITORIAL.

Rejoice—Our Victory Special number marks the ascension of philately from the ashes of war and the conditions that have repressed its expansion during the trying period are removed. Stamp collecting again emerges triumphantly over the might of war and we celebrate the return of peace as most congenial for philately. It is apparent that the "fiery furnace" did not demoralize our pursuit even though it has refined it and has made it a more appealing force than ever for the serious and discriminating mind. The war has left philately a rich heritage in issues and there are others to come that will add to the fascinations of our royal pursuit.

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Retrospect—At the time of our civil war, in 1861, stamp collecting was so relatively unimportant so far as its investment phases were concerned as to engage no attention to speak of. It is true that about the time of this war, Sardou, the French playwright, gave one of his stage characters a philatelic cast by representing him as a youthful speculator in the stamps of the Confederacy. The touch was a whimsical one that probably did not fail of appreciation among the public of that day, advanced enough to know about stamp collecting. Later, stamp collectors in their enthusiasm for new varieties to add to their albums were known to have been accused of fomenting rebellion and encouraging political strife with the intention of creating new states and consequently, new stamps. Of course, this fantastic conception was that of an imaginative mind seeking sensational disclosures. We remember the Spanish-American war but the disquiet that it occasioned timid minds by the new experience that our country was to undergo was soon forgotten in the interest shown in the new issues that were a consequence of the clash of arms that was of short duration. Then, the investments in stamps were heavy, even in the light of today, but there was no general feeling that their value would be impaired by the war. Even those who had no other than stamp assets had no forebodings of disaster but rather they had a greater faith in their stamps; and it soon proved that their judgment was well-advised. However, the war was so short a one that time was not given for sober consideration and from the first, it was to be seen that the outcome would be favorable to us. It was not long after the Spanish-American war had begun before the WEEKLY was enabled to publish a special number to celebrate our nation's expansion due in great measure to Admiral Dewey's victories.

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Results—The cataclysm that has crushed the world has been so stupendous that no past parallel could be used for the purpose of comparison. The effect of the war was felt in every community; and the question of what would become of stamp collecting was fraught with significance. None had the folly to believe that philately would escape all consequences of the titanic turmoil. From many directions there came requests for an opinion as to war's effect on stamps and there were signs of trepidation here and there that might have developed into a stampede, under certain conditions. Yet for every faltering collector there were not a few who would not admit that the pursuit would suffer critically. It was not necessary to have the thought the parent of the wish to say that stamps would escape disaster, even in the face of disheartening predictions as to possibilities. Letters came telling of the relegation of the album to the limbo of forgotten things and many of our readers could not have their paper follow them as they fought under the banner of our country. We could not shut our ears to these indications but in other quarters there were signs of encouragement. The hope ran high that philately would not be deserted by those whose vision was clear and whose understanding of human impulse was sound. While they worked for their country in stay-at-home war activities, they kept the philatelic fire burning. They continued to draw comfort from their stamps and to patronize the stamp market. There was no rush to realize on their holdings but rather they continued to add to them. A combination of favoring details strengthened the position of stamps and neutralized disturbing conditions; and it truly may be said that philately did not languish. Now that the pursuit is untrammeled, it will flourish all the more vigorously in the compatible surroundings of the present day. Philately's steadfastness and by that we mean its followers is to be rewarded by plenteous and prosperous returns. Instead of marking time, stamps go forward on the run.

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Resolutions—The war has broadened the views of all and has taught its lessons. Stamp collecting is singularly adaptable to the new idea of internationalism and philatelists are in advance of the average citizen in their grasp of the new situation. The new order of world regulation will be based on international comity and compromise and will require the cultivation of the better qualities of us all and collectors should be in the front ranks of the realignment. We must "highly resolve" to foster a true feeling of fraternity in our little world and a beginning should be made by improving the mutual relations of philatelists at home. By individual effort, the forward step should be taken and then the benefits will be shared by all. Let collectors have ideals that they will not relinquish in their intercourse with their brothers; and tolerance and fairness should be given first place. Let all those who have been compelled to abandon their album delights for the time make a reaffirmation of philatelic faith. After what philately has been through, it is only right that the lives of its followers be made more pleasant than ever before.

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Returning—Readers of the WEEKLY are returning from abroad and we are proud to greet them. To some who went and will not return we pay the tribute of a tear. We had the magnitude of the war brought home to us in an indirect way by the list of our subscribers who went away under arms. We believe that after the stirring days our soldier and sailor readers have spent in shaping the history of the world, the stamp album will offer a consoling and sympathetic interest. We had testimony from the battle-front that stamps were not wholly crowded out of the minds of collectors who were fighting there. The ruling passion of philately is strong indeed when the thought of stamps intrudes in the strenuous duties of war. It is a great satisfaction to know that philately drew heavily on its resources numerically in fighting the war and that its record is such as to make us feel grateful that stamps could give a brilliant account of themselves in the sternest phases of life. We dedicate this number of our paper to those who as philatelists fought so well and to those at home who stood by philately so valiantly in times of stress.

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BURT McCANN CO. SENDS IN SEVEN.

The Edgewood Stamp Co. has 28 new subscriptions to its credit this week, making a total of 122 since October 1. To the Burt McCann Co. of Minneapolis belongs the credit of sending in 7. We have received 5 from the Royal Stamp Co. and the same number from the Apex Stamp Co. We have a large circle of subscribers who are now doing missionary work for the WEEKLY and we rejoice in their loyalty. The most active contestants for honors since our last report was made are.—

EDGEWOOD STAMP CO.,	28
BURT McCANN CO.,	7
ROYAL STAMP CO.,	5
APEX STAMP CO.,	5
CHAS. CHRISTENSEN,	4
EUGENE KLEIN,	4

Below is the list in revised form brought up to Jan. 18. If you can use some subscription forms write for them and have your name entered on this roll of honor.

Edgewood Stamp Co., Milford, Conn.,	122
Covert Stamp Co., Rochester, N. Y.,	38
Chas. Christensen, Milwaukee, Wis.,	27
Royal Stamp Co., W. Phila., Pa.,	24
Paul F. Cornish, Schenectady, N. Y.,	23
Burt McCann Co., Mplis., Minn.,	14
C. E. Hussman Co., St. Louis, Mo.,	14
McAndrews Stamp Co., Charleston, W. Va.,	13
H. S. Powell Co., Storm Lake, Iowa,	13
Cleveland Stamp Co., Cleevland, O.,	12
Eugene Klein, Phila., Pa.,	12
Excel Stamp Co., Chicago, Ill.,	11
E. H. Bailey, Farmingdale, N. Y.,	10
Old Curiosity Shop, Phila., Pa.,	9
Apex Stamp Co., Bradford, Mass.,	9
Greenville Stamp Co., Emporia, Va.,	7
R. J. Auction Service, Herrin, Ill.,	7
Silas Weatherby, Medina, O.,	7
O. K. Press, Winnipeg, Man., Can.,	5
E. P. Seebohm, San Fran., Cal.,	5
Luther Club, Detroit, Mich.,	5
L. E. Smith, W. Somerville, Mass.,	4
E. T. Heberlein, Indplis., Ind.,	4
Southern Stamp Co., Pyatt, Ark.,	4
E. W. Spafford, Martville, N. Y.,	4
F. J. Stanton, Norwich, N. Y.,	4
B. H. Fehlig Co., Denver, Colo.,	4

Three each: — J. D. Hubel, Rosser Laird, Robt. Millard Co., M. Ohlman, F. H. Vallancey, Harry B. Mason, Harold Breese, L. L. Albright, Slater Novelty Shop, F. J. Gajdos.

Two each:—Universal Stamp Co., Geo. T. Simpson, E. A. Southwick, Eureka Stamp Co., E. M. Jackson, G. H. Doane, Pauline, F. Noyes, M. H. Brett, Arthur Munkacsy, P. J. Hill, F. L. Onken, Harry Clemenko, Edwin Gustafson, J. L. Walker, D. M. Ward, Jones Stamp Co., Ward Chapin, Earl W. Hidden.

THE MANAGING EDITOR.

GEO. H. BEANS SAYS:—

For six years I have been plugging away at the Booklet Issues of the U. S. and at last can say "I have put them on their feet." Certain phases of Booklet collecting seem to puzzle the uninitiated and the many queries received indicate that an ever increasing number of collectors are entering this new field. When once the philatelist starts after even the current varieties he finds himself engaged in a most interesting enterprise. One never knows what a Booklet contains until it is dissected and few specialists have as yet obtained the current issue complete. This tends to stimulate interest in the subject not only on account of the element of sport but also because one is liable to find items of real value in the most recent issues.

We have had some interesting innovations in Booklets. The three centers first broke the monotony, then the War Books—and probably we will soon have rotary printings. As to the older issues, well they are becoming quite scarce. There is not a particle of doubt that in a few years those who now build up a collection will find themeselves in possession of really good property.

At this time I am making a close study of the first issues, and if any reader has anything unusual in this line I should like to see it in hopes it may clear up some of the obscure points pertaining to the subject. There is an inner circle of half a dozen specialists who have been delving deeply into the problems connected with the early emissions and what is needed is additional material to work with.

DEATH OF HENRY J. DUVEEN.

Following closely upon the death of John W. Scott and George R. Tuttle comes the announcement of the death of Henry J. Duveen, owner of one of the greatest stamp collections in the world. The information reaches us through a clipping from the *New York Times* sent us by J. M. Bartels.

Mr. Duveen was senior member of the firm of Duveen Brothers, international art dealers with houses in New York and Paris and also in London until 1914. He died Jan. 15 at his home 907 Fifth Avenue, after an illness of some duration. He was in his sixty-fifth year and was considered one of the leading art critics of the world.

It is, however, as a philatelist, that Mr. Duveen was known to our readers. He was a general collector but specialized in the stamps of certain countries, including Mauritius and Switzerland. His Mauritius has the 1d and 2d Post Office unused, while in Switzerland are large blocks of the "double Genevas" and "large Eagles" as well as a block of fifteen Basle doves. He has been awarded many medals at various exhibitions.

The exhibits made by Mr. Duveen at the New York exhibition in 1913 received much attention. He exhibited in twenty-three classes and received the Grand Prize as well as several medals.

Mr. Bartels in his letter to us, states that the Duveen collection must be worth approximately a million dollars and it is a matter of no small moment to stamp collectors to know what will become of it. We are indebted to "Who's Who in Philately" for some of the facts given above.

$5 U. S. FREE

$5 green 1916
$5 green and black 1918

Either one of these $5 (your choice) free with an order of $10 or more from this list of offers.

PREMIUMS—ANY ONE OF THESE OFFERS FREE WITH AN ORDER OF $3 OR MORE—TWO WITH AN ORDER OF $10 OR MORE.

No. 1	16c Aero Air Mail can. on cover .... ?	No. 9	U. S. Parcels Post $1, strip of three 1.05	No. 15	Transvaal 1904, 10sh 1.25
No. 2	5⅝c Prop., No. 4115* ..... ?	No. 10	China 1913, ½c to $1, nice set 1.07	No. 16	China 1912, 10c green, No. 277 ..... ?
No. 3	Japan 1914, 10 yen violet ..... ?	No. 11	Ecuador 1886, 20c, No. 705a* 1.00	No. 17	Italy, No. 12d, 15b* 1.00
No. 5	U. S. 1917, $1 Fine strip of three 1.05	No. 12	1897, 20c, No. 746* 1.25	No. 18	India (Nabha) 1885, 9p* ..... .75
No. 6	Parcels Post Due, 25c green... .75	No. 13	Salvador 1889, 3c, No. 27* 1.00	No. 19	Philippines 1909, 16c green, No. 256* 1.00
No. 8	Rev., 10c Bill of Lading imp. .. .75	No. 14	Panama 1903, 50c, No. 81 ..... 1.00	No. 20	Peru (Arequipa) 10c, No. 23c* 1.00

U.S. ERRORS, $2, $5 BI-COLORED, ETC.

A few attractive offers in Uncle Sam's stamps.

5c ERRORS 1917, Perf. 11, single stamps with no 2c stamps attached **$2.50**

5c ERRORS 1917. Perf. 11, vertical pairs with no 2c stamps attached **$5.50**

AERO STAMPS.

6c orange*		.09
16c green*		.20
24c AERO	red and blue	.32
24c AERO	same, used	.22
24c AERO	used block of four	1.00
24c AERO	Center line block	2.75
24c AERO	"Top" plate block in red or blue, top or left arrow block. Each block of 4..	**2.50**
24c AERO	N. Y.—Wash. Last day of rate on cover with nice Aero cancellation	**1.00**
16c AERO	Top plate block, top and left arrow blocks, center block. Each block of 4	**1.50**
16c AERO	Chicago—N. Y. "Pathfinder" trip, Sept. 9th on cover Nice cover	**.75**
16c AERO	Bellefonte, Pa—Chicago, 1st regular trip Dec. 18th, 1918	**.75**
16c AERO	Bryan O.—Chicago, 1st regular trip Dec. 20, 1918	**.75**
16c AERO	Cleveland O.—Chicago, 1st regular trip Dec. 18th, '18 (Only 12 covers)	**1.50**
6c AERO	1st trip N. Y.—Chicago service. Two 3c stamps on cover, 5 stations as follows: N. Y. Dec. 18th, Bellefonte, Pa., Dec. 18th, Newark, N. J. Dec. 17th, Cleveland, O. Dec. 18th, Bryan, O. Dec. 20th. Each cover ..... Wash.—N. Y. Sept. 20th on cover (fine can.)	**.35** .45
16c AERO	Newark N. Y.—Wash. Sep. 14th on cover (fine can.)	.60

The above covers are very interesting and we have only a very few of each to sell or offer, and will not last long.

U.S.—HAYTI Cover from American Occupation forces in Hayti, showing fine special postmark, etc., on 3c U. S. stamp. Very interesting and not common ..... .25

HIGH VALUE UNITED STATES, ETC.

$2.00	1916, $2 blue (scarce)	.70
	1918, $2 red and black	.68
$5.00	1916, $5 green, good copies	.95
	1916, $5 green, superb copies ..	1.35
$5.00	1916, $5 green (block of four)..	6.75
	1918, $5 green and black	1.35
$1.00	1916, $1 block of 4, No. 406	1.00
	1917, $1 block of 4, No. 427	.75
$1.00	1912, $1 Parcel Post, block of 6	1.75
	1916, $1 No. 406, strip of 4	.90
	1916, $5 green, nice pairs, hor. or vert.	2.75
	1911, 50c grn. Postal Sav., aver.	.70
	1911, $1 blue Postal Sav., aver.	.28
U.S. IMP.	1908, 1, 2, 3, 4. 5c Horiz. or Vert. line block of 4 mint. Per set	**1.68**
U.S. IMP.	Entire sheet of 240 Hudson-Fulton imp. 2c. Beautiful thing for any stamp den	**14.90**
U.S. IMP.	2c Lincoln, 2c Hudson-Fulton imp. used or new in blocks of four. Each	**.20**

A FEW OTHER U. S.

The limited supply and great demand for U. S. does not allow us to offer many items here, but send us a list of those you require. We might help you. This sign means unused (*).

1857, 5c red br.. No.46, no gum	$100.00	$29.00
1867, 15c, No. 98*, good block of 4 ..		22.50
90c blue*, nice copy		23.75
1871, 1c, No. 145*, half sheet entire with margins, but no gum. A nice item		95.00
1871, 7c vermilion*	7.00	2.75
12c violet*	10.00	3.95
24c purple*	12.50	5.90
1873, 1c blue*	1.00	.35
7c vermillion*	7.50	2.95
12c violet*	12.00	5.90
15c orange*	17.50	7.75
1870, 1c blue grill		.28
2c brown grill		.12
1893, 15c green Columbus		.17
1894, 15c blue, No. 259		.07
1898, Omaha 1c to 10c mint*		.68
Omaha 1c to 10c		.23
1901, Buffalo 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 10c		.26
1904, Louisiana 1, 2, 3, 5, 10c		.15
1912, 50c violet, No. 365		.11
$1, No. 368		.19
50c, No. 367		.07
1914, $1, No. 386		.15
1916, 50c violet, No. 405		.06
$1 brown, No. 406		.15
1917, 50c violet, No. 426		.05
$1 brown, No. 427		.13
1912, 50c Parcels Post		.07
75c Parcels Post		.12
$1 Parcels Post		.15

DEPARTMENTS.

Interior, 1c vermilion	.35	.16
10c vermilion	.40	.18
Post Office, 90c black*	2.50	1.10
90c* on grey	5.00	1.75
War 1873, 15c red*	.35	.17
1873, 6c red	.20	.08
Postal Savings, 2c black, No. 1635	.15	.05
1c violet*	.50	.22
2c black, No. 1639*	.75	.35

NEWSPAPERS.

1865, 5c blue*	15.00	7.25
1875, 2c or 3c each (Indian)	.60	.24
8c black (Indian)	..	.95
10c black (Indian)	1.00	.42
9c black (Indian)	7.50	3.25
36c rose	1.50	.62
1895, $2 red No. 2081	2.50	1.20
$10 green, No. 2083	8.00	3.95

We have other Newspapers. What do you want?

Parcel Post Dues, 1, 2, 5, 10, 25c	..	.60
Parcel Post Dues, 25c green	.75	.35
Entire env., No. 2303, fine, used..	20.00	9.75
U. S. Tel., Nos. 3325 to 3328*	4.75	1.95
Tel., 1910, No. 3553*	1.00	.45
Tel., 1911, green, No. 3701* ..	.50	.19
Tel., 1913, brown*	.25	.10
Tel., 1914, Nos. 3704, 3705* ..	.50	.19
Tel., 1917, Nos. 3710, 3711* ..	.50	.22

Tell us what you want in U. S. postage, newspapers, dues, telegraphs, envelopes, revenues, etc.

U. S. REVENUES.

Of course we have others at about half list for average copies. Send us your want list from 1861 on.

10c Bill of Lading, impf.	.75	.27
$1 Lease, impf.	2.00	.78
10c Foreign Exchange, ultramar.	.50	.19
2nd Issue, 1c blue and black ..	.75	.29
15c blue and black	.50	.22
20c blue and black	.25	.09
$1.50 blue and black	.30	.11
$2.00 blue and black	.60	.28
3rd Issue, 6c orange and black ..	1.00	.45
$2 vermilion and black	.40	.18
$5 red and black	.75	.35
1898, $10 black, uncut	.50	.23
1900, $5 gray and black, uncut ..	.35	.17
1914. 4, 5, 10, 25, 40, 50c post. pap.	..	.30
80c red postage paper	..	.20
$3 or $5, each	..	.10

UNITED STATES APPROVALS.

Selections of all lines for all classes, but we much prefer a want list as it saves us sending only just those you need and loss of sales. Prices will be as reasonable as any. We might mention especially our books of

ENVELOPES Some nice lots of cut squares at less than half list in many cases.

M. & M. Several hundred dollars worth of these popular stamps (Match & Medicine) Postage, used and new, Depts., Newspapers, Telegraphs, Dues, Revenues, etc.

OTHER BOOKS

U. S. "JUMBOS" Two books in our "Jumbo" series are O. K. for those with collections not too far advanced. No. 24 U. S. postage, Depts., etc., value about $25 to $35 net, and No. 31 U. S. Revenues, value about $25 net. See our list of approval books for details.

FOREIGN STAMPS.

Look this list over, please. It contains a little of everything as space does not permit a larger line. If you don't see what you want, ask for it. We have one of the largest general stocks in the country and are constantly adding to it. Prices on want list about half list, except where cost or face makes this impossible.

ABYSSINIA Nos. 247, 248, 250,251,252* inverted schge. Rare **10.00**

ABYSSINIA Nos. 108, 109, 110* inverted sur. (each) 1.25
Same double sur. (each) 1.25

ABYSSINIA Nos. 112, 113, 114* sur. inverted (rare) **6.95**

ARG. REP. 1899, 5, 10, 20 pesos, Perf. letter can. Good space fillers .75

ARG. REP. 1910, 5, 10, 20 pesos, perf. letter can. Almost unobtainable otherwise 6.90

ARG. REP. '12, 20p perf. letters No.204 1.00

ARG. REP. '12, 20p perf. letters No.230 2.50

ARG. REP. Nos. 401, 403, 404* ... .. .10
Nos. 440, 441, 444* .... .70 .29

ARG. REP. Nos. 501, 504 ..... .80 .32
Nos. 456, 457* ..... .25 .09

BOSNIA 1879, 20n, No. 9a* ..... 2.50 .65

BRAZIL 1900, 700r brown ..... .20 .09
Nos. 514 to 529*, set 75.00

CHILI 1900, 20c gray* ..... .50 .19
1900, 5c blue* ..... .25 .09

CHILI 1905, 50c blue & black* .. .50 .22
1910, 1p gold, grn. & gray* .75 .37

CHINA 1905, 7c maroon ..... .10 .05
1912, Nos. 119-130 (ex.127) .88 .35

CHINA Shanghai 1893, ½c green on half of 2c, No. 143* .... 2.50 .95

COLOMBIAN REPUBLIC.

Once a much despised country to collectors, but getting very popular along with other South and Central Americans. Some good ones here.

1902, 2c rose, No. 253*	1.00	.37
50c, 1p*, Nos. 317, 318	.25	.07
1903, Nos. 333, 334*, each	.25	.09
20c brown, No. 336*	1.25	.48
20c blue, No. 337*	..	.55
50c rose, No. 338*	..	.75
1p violet, No. 339*	1.50	.65
1904. ½c brown, No. 346*	1.50	.58
2c blue, No. 348*	1.00	.37
1, 5, 10c* Nos. 347,348a,348b, ea.		.75
10 peso, No. 708*	17.50	6.75

ANTIOQUIA 1899, ½c to 2p* .... .88 .29
'04, 50c vio., No. 405* 1.25 .48
'04, 50c vio.,No.405a* 1.75 .65

ANTIOQUIA 1909, 407, 408, 409*.. .49 .19
1910, Nos. 410, 411* .40 .15

BOLIVAR 1880, 80c green* ..... 1.25 .49
1899, 1c black, No. 61* .. 1.25

BOLIVAR '03, 50c dk.blue,No.62a* 1.25 .55

BOLIVAR 1903, 10p purple, No.68d* .. 2.25

BOLIVAR '03, 5p scarlet, No. 79* .50 .22

BOLIVAR 1903, 10p, No. 87* .... 2.00 .95
1903, 50c blue, No. 70* .25 .12

SANTANDER 25 var. 1917 schgs., ½, 1, 2c*. A nice little lot of these. 3.75 **1.35**

SANTANDER 25 var. 1907 schgs., '04, 10, 20, 50c, 1p* Nos. 118-121 ..... 1.55 .48

TOLIMA 1896, 1 on 2c, No. 78a* 3.00 1.25
03, 10p No. 87 or 88, ea. .60 .27

COREA 1895, 5p green ..... .25 .09
1900, 2re blue* ..... .10 .04

COSTA RICA 1901, 5col brn.&blk.* 2.00 .85

COSTA RICA '01. 10col red & grn.* 4.00 1.75

COSTA RICA '03, 25c lilac & brn.* .50 .17
'07, 25c lilac & blk.* .50 .22

CRETE 1898, Nos. 2, 3, 4, or 5* ea. .20 .08
1899. Nos. 40, 43, 45, 46*,ea. .50 .22

DANISH WEST INDIES 1898, 1c grn.&vio. .20 .09
1898, 3c blue and lake* .50 .23

DOMINICAN REP. 1883, 5 on 1c, No. 71 1.25 .58
1883, 25 on 5c, No. 77 3.00 1.40

DOMINICAN REP. '11, 10c red vio.&blk.* .20 .07
'11, 1p violet & blk. 1.00 .48

ECUADOR.

A few offers in the better values of this country. We have a good stock of others not listed here.

1865, 1r yellow*, No. 1a	1.25	.55
1872, ½r blue, No. 7a*	2.00	.58
1895, 1s carmine*, No. 53	3.00	.68
1896, 10 on 4c*, No. 73	.35	.11
1897, 50c orange, No. 82*	2.50	.88
50c orange, No. 90	.25	.10
20c black, No. 97*	.50	.19
5s blue, No. 100a	..	1.50
5s blue, No. 112	4.00	1.58
1906, 3 on 5c*, No. 164a	2.00	.69
3 on 20c*, No. 164b*	3.00	1.15
1897, 20c blue, No. 406*	2.50	1.10
10c, 20c*, No. 541 or 542*, ea.	1.75	.65
1896, Dues 20, 50, 100c*	.83	.32
1886, Off. 10c orange*	.75	.29
Off. 10c orange inv.*	1.00	.39
20c violet, inv.*	1.00	.33
50c green, inv.*	2.00	.95
1887, Off. 2c vermilion, inv.*	1.00	.37
5c blue*	.50	.17
5c blue, inv.*	.75	.22
1896, Off. 1c to 5p, Nos. 734-741 ..	2.75	.98
1897, Off. 20c black, No. 746*	1.25	.38
1, 2, 5c, Nos. 756, 757, 758*, ea.	2.50	.65
Same inverted sur., each* ..	..	1.00
10, 20, 50c, Nos.759,760,761*,ea.	3.00	.78
Same inverted sur., each* ..	..	1.35
1s black, No. 762*	3.75	1.10
Same inverted sur.*	..	2.00
50c black, No. 782*	3.75	1.50
20c black, No. 774*	.65	.23

EGYPT 1866, 1pi lilac, No. 7 ..... 1.50 .70
1914, 50m plum (pictorial) .30 .10

EGYPT 1914, 100m black (pictor'l) .65 .22
1913, 5m, No. 209* ..... .75 .23

EGYPT Soudan 1898, 2pi (camel) .30 .13
Soudan 1898, 5pi (camel) .60 .27

EGYPT Soudan 1902, 2pi (camel) .30 .13
Soudan 1906, 5mil, No. 817* .30 .14

EPIRUS 1914, 11-501, Nos. 50-59*.. .. .75
1914, 1d-25d, Nos. 60-65* .. 9.75

FRANCE 1853, 1fr very fine 9.00

FR. COL. 1853, 80c lake ..... .30 .14

FR. COL. China, Canton 1908, 75c .28 .12

FR. COL. Morocco, 1p, No. 2405*.. 1.00 .50

FR. COL. Colonies 1872, No. 16.. .35 .15

FR. COL. New Caledonia, No. 6a* .40 .19

FR. COL. Reunion, No. 36* ..... 1.00 .45

FR. COL. Somali 1909, 1915, 25c ea. .. .05

GUATEMALA 1898 6 on 2c, No. 81a 2.50 .95
What else in Guatemala?

HONDURAS 1891, 2, 5, 10p* .... .15

HONDURAS 1913, 6c on 1c, No. 148 .30 .13

HONDURAS 1915, 5 on 10c, No. 173 .. .45

HONDURAS '11, 10c blue, No. 289* .. .50

HONDURAS '13,No.293*or 294*,ea. .25 .09

HONDURAS '13, 20 on 50c,No.298* 1.00 .39

HONDURAS 1913, 10c, No. 299* .. 1.00 .45

HONDURAS '13, No.303*,or 307*,ea. .40 .17

ITALY 1901, 5i blue and rose .. .25 .11
1903, 501, No. 281 ..... .30 .13

JAPAN 1905, 3s rose* ..... .25 .09

JAPAN 1906, 1½s blue Jub.* ..... .60 .23

JAPAN 1908, 5y green ..... .15 .06

JAPAN 1908, 10y violet ..... .30 .14

JAPAN 1914, 5y green .... .15

JAPAN 1914, 10y violet .... .35

JAPAN China 4s*, or 25s ..... .25 .09
Corea 50s ..... .35 .15

LIBERIA 1880, 12c or 24c* each .. .50 .17
1893, 10c, No. 304* 15.00 7.25

LUXEMBURG 1859, 2c black 3.00 1.25
1865, 1c orange*... 1.00 .45

MEXICO 1856, 4r, No. 4c* 7.00 2.75

MEXICO 1864, 1r orange, No. 23b* .. 1.00

MEXICO 1866, 7c gray, No. 26*.. 4.00 1.95

MEXICO 1866, 13c blue, No. 27 .. 2.50 1.20

MEXICO 1866, 13c blue, No. 32 .... 1.00 .48

MEXICO 1867, 2r pink, No. 37 .. .75 .35

MEXICO 1885, 4c red orange .... 1.00 .45

MEXICO 1885, 25c blue ..... 1.25 .58

MEXICO 1914, 1p, No. 432* ..... .75 .35

MONTENEGRO 1908, Dues 1c to 10c*.. 1.05 .39
1874. 10, 15, 25n .. .58 .19
1894, 50n, 1, 2fl*.. .75 .37

NETHERLANDS 1899, 5g claret .. .85 .42
1901, 17½c violet .15 .07

DU. INDIES '08, 22½c brn. & green .15 .05
Nos. 75, 76, 77 ..... .28 .12

DU. INDIES 1917, ½ on 2½c,No.122* .. .04
1874, 15c ochre* .... 1.00 .40

NICARAGUA '98,10c purple* O. K. 2.50 .75

NICARAGUA '98, 5p orange*O.K. 3.00 .95

NICARAGUA '03, Nos. 167-174*,set .96 .37

NICARAGUA 1901, 30c, No. 157*.. .60 .23

NICARAGUA '05, Nos. 179-191*,set 1.24 .45
'09, 10 on 5p, No. 236* .. 1.00

NICARAGUA '05, Off. 1c-5p* set.. .67 .23
'11, $2 on 1c, No.298* 1.00 .45

PANAMA 1878, 5c green* 3.00 1.25

PANAMA '78, 10c No.6 fine blk. 4*80.00 37.50

PANAMA 1894, 10 on 50c, No. 28* 5.00 1.85
1902, 20c violet, No. 70* 1.00 .39

PANAMA 1902, 1p claret, No. 75* .85 .40
1904, 10c yell. No. 79c* 7.50 1.75

PANAMA 1904, 50c brown, No. 81 1.00 .35
1904, 1p red. No. 82*... 2.00 .85

PANAMA 1903, 1c, No. 151 used block of 9 .....90.00 45.00

PARAGUAY '79, 10c grn.,No. 13a* 2.00 .55
1886, Off. set 27.50 11.75

PARAGUAY '99,Off.5 on15c,No.317 2.00 .78
1914, Off. complete*. 1.32 .65

PERSIA 1902, 8c orange* ..... 1.00 .39
1902, 16c green* ..... .60 .23

PERSIA 1902, 5k No. 288* ..... 2.50 .95
1905, Nos. 411 to 414* .. 3.50 1.35

PORTUGUESE COLONIALS

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	1912, 50r orange	.40 .20

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	1877, 200r orange*..	1.25 .62
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5. Macau 1910, 1a slate, No. 142 ..... .50
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7. Nicaragua 1869, 5c black* ..... .75
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MOZAMBIQUE CO. 1894,75r-1000r. 1.60 .77; Nos.26a*,31a*,ea... 3.75
MOZAMBIQUE CO. 200r blu.,No.28*1.50 .68; 300r blu.,No.29*1.75 .78
ST.THOS.& PRINCE '69,10r orang.* .75 .35; '69, 40r blue* 1.00 .48
ST.THOS.&PRINCE '69,50r,or100r*,ea.1.00 .45; '69,300r brn.* .75 .35
TIMOR 1885, 50r blue* ..... .40 .19; 1885, 300r brown* ..... .50 .23

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SERVIA 1881, 1d violet, No. 34*.. .12 .05; 1900, 15 on 1d, No. 57... .35 .17
SERVIA 1901, 5p to 1d ..... .86 .32; 1904, 5p to 50p ..... .61 .30
SERVIA 1904, 5d violet ..... 1.50 .80; 1908, 3d green and black. 1.25 .62
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URUGUAY 5 on 50c, No. 185 ..... .20 .08; What do you need in Uruguay?
VENEZUELA 1893, 10b violet .... .60 .22; 1900, 20b viol..No.151 4.00 1.35
VENEZUELA 1902, 50c, No. 184* .. 2.00 .68; 1902, 50c, No. 191.. 1.00 .38
VENEZUELA 1902, 10c, No. 188* ..... 3.75; 1904, 10b violet* .. 1.00 .45

BRITISH COLONIES.

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NEWFLD. 1896, ½c red orange*... .40 .15; 1896, 1c green* ..... .75 .28
NEWFLD. 1896, 3c blue* ..... 1.00 .40; 1910, 5c blue ..... .15 .06
BECHUANALAND 1886, ½p or 1p, No. 6 or 7, ea. 1.00 .45; '87,5sh(rev.can.) .. .28
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GOLD COAST 1913, 3p vio., No. 73 .12 .05; 1913, 1sh green .... .40 .17
GRENADA 1892, 1p black Due.... .20 .08; 1906, 1p black Due.... .50 .19
GRENADA 1906, 2p black Due.... .30 .11; 1906, 3p black Due.... .40 .17
HELIGOLAND 1867, 1sh rose & grn., No. 6* ..... 4.00 1.75; 1874, ¼thsch rose & green*, No. 13 .... 1.00 .45
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H. KONG 1913, 25c red vio. & vio. .15 .07; 1913, 50c green ..... .35 .15
NABHA (India) 1885, 9p red* .... .75 .35; 1903, 3a orange ..... .15 .07
PATIALA (India) 1891, 9p carm.* .50 .19; 1891, 3a orange ..... .50 .22
JAMAICA 1906, 3p violet, No. 53* .40 .20; 1912, 3p violet, No. 65 .15 .06
JAMAICA 1912, 4p red and black .12 .05; 1912, 6p lilac & violet .24 .09
JAMAICA 1912, 1sh green ..... .75 .35; 1912, 3p violet, No. 69 .20 .07
JAMAICA 1916, War 3p. No. 302 .35 .15; War 1½p or'ge, No. 305 .15 .05
JAMAICA War 1½p or'ge, No. 308 .08 .03; War 3p violet, No. 309 .12 .05
NATAL 1870, 1sh green, No. 43... 1.25 .55; 1885, 2p on 3p, No. 72.... 1.25 .55
NEW S. WALES 1860, 1p red,No.35 1.00 .42; 1860,3p grn.,No.37 1.00 .40
NEW S. WALES 1860, 1sh rose.... 1.00 .45; 1860, 5sh violet.. 1.75 .85
NEW S. WALES 1862,2p blue,No.46 .50 .19; 1871.5p grn..No.56 .50 .22
QUEENSLAND No. 10 or 13, each 3.00 1.35; 1898, 2½p rose,No.115 .50 .23
SARAWAK 1892, 1 on 3c, No. 23* 2.50 1.10; 1899, 2 on 3c* ..... .10 .04
SIERRA LEONE '76, 4p blue, No.16 1.50 .58; 1883, 2p slate ... .75 .29
STRAITS 1868, 32 orange ..... 3.00 1.25; 1868, 96c gray ..... 2.00 .88
STRAITS 1879, 7 on 32c*, No. 21 3.50 1.70; 1907, 4 on 18c* ..... .30 .11
STRAITS 1912, 10c violet, No. 161 .25 .09; 1912, $5 green, No. 164 .. 2.75
JOHORE 1892, No. 27* or 28* each .20 .08; 1892, 3c lilac and red*.. .12 .05
TASMANIA 1892, 6p violet & blk.* .40 .20; 1896, 4p bistre, No.83* .75 .35
TRANSVAAL 1902, ½, 1, 2, 2½,6p* 1.21 .55; 1904, 5sh vio. & blk. .75 .35
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VICTORIA 1861, 1p green, No. 70 1.25 .55; '67, 3p orange, No. 113 .75 .29

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CANAL ZONE '04, 5c on U. S.*... .75 .35; '09, 10c vio. & blk. .12 .04
CUBA 1905, 50c gray & black .... .15 .05; 1899, 10c brown* ..... .30 .11
CUBA 1914, 50c orange (Map) .... .25 .12; 1914, 1p slate (Map) ..... .60 .28
CUBA 1910, 10c or.&blue, No. 354 .15 .07; 1914, 10c Aeroplane, No. 355 .10 .04
HAWAII 1883, 10c brown* ..... 1.00 .42; 1883, 10c vermilion* .... 1.00 .48
PHILIPPINES 1870, 10c green .... .50 .19; 1872, 62c violet .... 1.75 .58
PHILIPPINES 1878, 0.0625m gray* 3.00 1.35; 1880, 2 4/8c, No. 80* 4.00 .78
PHILIPPINES 1891, 25c blue* .... .20 .07; 1897,5 on 5c,No.184* 1.00 .39
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PHILIPPINES 1909, 16c*grn.,No.256 1.00 .39; 1906 2p black .... 2.50 .95
PHILIPPINES 1906, 4p blue ..... 2.50 1.10; 1911, 6, 8.10.16,20.30c .30 .12
PORTO RICO 1890, 6m brown*... 3.00 1.25; 1890, 10c salmon* .. .50 .19

Want lists of British Colonials, U. S. Colonials, etc., etc., solicited. What we do not have on hand we will likely have a little later.

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Labuan 1896, 50c ..... .35 .14
Transvaal 1896, ½c to 2sh 6d* .. 1.84 .79
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BRITISH COLONIES.

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No. 8—China 1913, 20, 30, 50c, $1 .... .53
No. 9—China 10c green, No. 277 ..... ?
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No. 19—Nicaragua 1869, 5c black* .... .75
No. 20—Portugal 1912, 20c, 30c ..... .43
No. 21—Salvador 1889, 3c brn., No. 27* 1.00
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Stamp collectors must have noticed the press accounts of the death of Jacques Lebaudy of New York, the famous "Emperor of the Sahara". Lebaudy, who was shot and killed by his wife about two weeks ago, was made a front page feature for the time being in the New York newspapers. Commenting on the casualty Geo. B. Sloane writes:—"Lebaudy was a character in New York life and the newspapers often told stories of his eccentricities." It is in connection with the well-known "Empire of Sahara" stamps that his memory will be kept green in the minds of stamp collectors. In 1903 the WEEKLY made this initial announcement of Lebaudy's operations:—

"There is another new empire, if the claims and pretensions of Jacques I, Emperor of Sahara, are finally recognized, although it is probably on the opera bouffé order. The *Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly* says: 'In private life the new-made monarch, whose sovereignty is not yet formally recognized by anybody but himself, is simply Jacques Lebaudy, the millionaire son of a millionaire soapmaker. As outward and visible tokens of his kingship, the Emperor Jacques has issued stamps and taken unto himself a flag. A few faithful followers will help the young millionaire to build his new empire in the sands of the Sahara, and there will doubtless be much waving of the Lebaudy flag, which is described as a "blue triangle, ornamented with three yellow or golden balls." Such a design, says the *East Anglian Daily Times,* is suggestive of what may be called the avancular way of raising revenue, and is, no doubt, indicative of the manner in which Jacques I means to replenish his civil list'."

Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

McVITTLES vs. CANCELLATIONS.

By COTTON C. DOYLE.

"Is it true what I hear that you've added a goat to your other troubles?" inquired Casey, between puffs at his pipe.

"Yes and no," answered McVittles. "But it's an asset and not a liability, though it can't butt or give milk and I won't let the neighbor's kids play with it."

Casey sniffed obtrusively. "I smell O'Hoolihan," he remarked, eyeing McVittles with an expression of disgust. "I thought you were layin' to git even with him—has he bilked you again?"

"He has not, Casey, and what's more, he won't try to, not until he gets tired of livin' peacefully and goes huntin' f'r trouble, like them Hohenzollerns. I have his goat all right, all right, and well he knows it. What do you think of it."

Casey took the envelope McVittles tossed on the counter and examined it closely.

"A goat is it?" said he. "If that's a goat the feller who made it had better take lessons in drawin' from a mustard plaster. He'd draw a cow and every man who saw it would say, 'ah! What a fine hippopotamus!' That's no goat at all. It's a fox, and runnin' as if all the hound dogs in the Meadow Brook Hunt was tight after it."

"Go out to the zoo and come back and try again," said McVittles. "Goat it isn't and fox it isn't, but wolf it is, and the most famous wolf that ever stole sheep in all New England, Casey."

"You don't say! But fox or wolf, how comes it on this old envelope? I see the postmark says 1864—were there wolves around New England then?"

"Probably not, Casey, anyhow not fourlegged ones, but as I just told you, this wolf was famous and its memory lived long after its bones had been ground up for fertilizer. Have you never heard of Israel Putnam?"

"I might have. What stamp is he on? This one here is just a common three center and the face on it is the same noble profile of the great George that I have seen a million times before. I never heard of Prisidint Putnam, but I raymimber there was a Gin'ral Putnam way back in the Revolutionary War."

"The same, Casey, and a grand American he was. This cancellation commimorates his exceptional bravery and makes even a common stamp very desirable in the eyes of stamp collectors. Putnam tracked the wolf—an old she one—to its lair and crawled into the cave with a rope around his legs and shot her with his old muzzle-loader and was hauled out by the rope with his eyes and his digestion full of smoke and lived to tell about it, and the wolf didn't."

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as the fly crows—I mean, as the crow flies. 'Tis pretty enough there in the day time but after dusk any tom cat would look as big as a catamount, if you stopped to look at him at all. Probably you wouldn't, Casey. Old Put, as he is sometimes called, was skinny then and just managed to squeeze through the hole in the rocks. If his name had been Taft, with all his bravery, he never could have done it. The feller who made the canceller couldn't draw the den and so he drew the wolf."

"What part of New England is it; I'd like to see it myself—maybe the cave is full of old stamps?"

"Maybe the packet of a thousand Continentals f'r 25c in the window is full of Post Office Mauritius too, Casey. Give me your quarter and find them if you can. The wolf den is not far from the town named after Ginral Putnam up in the State of Connecticut where the wooden nutmegs used to come from before black walnut got so scarce on account of every Yank from New England or Arkansaw insistin' he couldn't do his full duty to the Germans unless the butt of his rifle was made of the same. The boys in khaki have an idea one good crack with a chunk of black walnut on the place where German brains would be if there are any does a better job than two jabs of the bay'net lower down in the anatomy of those same partners of old man Spurlos Versenkt—and cheaper than cartridges"

"Are there many cancellations like that? I don't raymimber seein' anything of the kind before. Who made them and how and when and why?"

"One question at a time, Casey. There are lots of them. Stars and shields and bumble bees and dickey birds and even the Evil One himself, tail and all, with his pitchfork in his hand waitin' impatiently f'r his first chance at the man who invented watermarks. Durin' the Civil War the postmasters often spent all their spare time between Union vict'ries cuttin' them out of a plug of wood or a second hand cork. Every time the Army of the Potomac welcomed a new commandin' gin'ral with hope and prayer half the postmasters from Maine to Minnesota sharpened their trusty jack-knives and started whittlin'. Frequently they were disappointed, or every old three center you'd find now-a-days would have a different cancellation on it."

"'Twas not a bad idea, either. F'r instance:—one fine spring day in '75 century before last, Old Put hears about a scrap at Lexington sixty miles away and drops his plow and rides the feet off his nag to get within smell of powder before the cheerin' is all over. And a few months ago one of Israel P's descendents, in the spirit if not of the flesh, Jacob Perlstein by the name on his registration card, leaves his push-cart in the middle of Bainbridge street and starts for France to show the Germans what they're up against, and what happens?"

"Why one of them seven foot Pomeranian Grenadiers sees his own finish and Jakey's five foot nine of Yankee spunk comin' f'r him all in one piece and dives into a dugout just in time to miss a remarkably fine specimen of good old American black walnut. Jakey dives after him just like Old Put in the wolf den and when he comes out his lieutenant asks, 'Did you get him?' and Jakey says, 'Yes, I have got twenty-six of him.' What a fine thing it would be for the stamp collectors of 1968 if some country postmaster around here would risk his patriotism for his job and get up a cancellation with Jakey's push-cart on it!"

"It would that," agreed Casey. "And now that I see the connection between this here zoological specimen and ancient and modern American history perhaps you'll tell me how you got O'Hoolihan's goat, or wolf, away from him. Did you use a black-jack or T N T."

"Neither, Casey. 'Twas like this:—O'Hoolihan tried to sell me about fifty covers with three centers of the vintages of '61 to '66 on them. Nearly half of the stamps was pretty dark red like this one with the wolf on it, and, for a wonder, fine copies. He wanted me to believe those were No. 66 that the catalog calls 'lake' but by good luck I had a copy of No. 66 and showed him how he was wrong, never lettin' on the whole truth or that I'd noticed the wolf."

"What d'you mean—the whole truth?"

"Just this,—what the catalog calls lake is not a true stamp at all but only a finished proof—a trial color. Not one of them was ever sold for postage. When the printin' fellers tried to match that color for regular stamps they couldn't do it and soon gave up tryin', and these dark ones is the nearest they got. The catalog prices number sixty-six at fifteen dollars unused and nothing used and the real lake red stamp isn't priced at all, or even mentioned. No doubt they were made in '63 and occasionally used as late as '64, barrin' hangovers. A good used copy is worth maybe five dollars, especially on the letter and I would buy unused copies happily at fifteen dollars each all day long, if I could."

"And O'Hoolihan didn't know that?"

"He did not. He's found it out since—I told him myself. When he saw none of his were like my number sixty-six he decided his were just common reds, badly oxidized, and thought he was gettin' out of me about ten times what they were worth. Havin' stung me before naturally he thought I would be just as easy pickin' the second time. But very foxy he was—foxier than any wolf."

"How much for any I happen to like says I."

"Ten cents each if I pick 'em and a quarter apiece if you pick 'em, and I won't break the lot for less than a dollar, says he."

"He was out to stick you either way. Heads he wins; tails you lose. How did you settle it?"

"I did the stickin' myself and I settled it and him all at once. I stuck the Putnam Wolf in my pocket and I stuck the others in the drawer under the counter and locked it and threw the key over the transom and handed him a five dollar bill."

"What's the idea? say he, satisfying himself that the bill was genuine."

"I'll take 'em all, says I—and you pick 'em."

AUSTRIA.

1908, 20h brown, No. 221 ..... $ .03
1900, *4h brown, No. 637 ..... .02
*5h brown, No. 638 ..... .02
6h brown, No. 639 ..... .03
*10h brown, No. 640 ..... .03
*12h brown, No. 641 ..... .05
40h brown, No. 644 ..... .05
12h brown, No. 653 ..... .04
40h brown, No. 656 ..... .03
100h brown, No. 657 ..... .04
1908, 25h carmine, No. 664 ..... .03
30h carmine, No. 665 ..... .02
50h carmine, No. 666 ..... .04
100h carmine, No. 667 ..... .04

OFFICES IN TURKEY.

1908, 2pia lake, No. 1051 ..... .04
5pia brown, No. 1052 ..... .08
10pia green, No. 1053 ..... .20

AZORES.

1882, 50r blue, No. 52 ..... .18
1906, *10r green, No. 103 ..... .03
50r ultra, No. 106 ..... .04
1911, *10r dark green, No. 128 ..... .03

BAVARIA.

1876, 5pf dark green, No. 39 ..... .08
25pf yellow brown, No. 42 ..... .04
50pf scarlet, No. 43 ..... .05
2m orange, No. 45 ..... .08
1911, 30pf orange buff, No. 82 ..... .02
40pf olive green, No. 83 ..... .02
80pf violet, No. 85 ..... .03

CAPE VERDE.

1912, 25r violet brown, No. 104 ..... .05
50r dark blue, No. 105 ..... .05

CUBA.

1883, *10c olive bistre, No. 107 ..... .05
*10c olive bistre, No. 110 ..... .07
*10c olive bistre, No. 113 ..... .05
*10c olive bistre, No. 116 ..... .05
*10c olive bistre, No. 119 ..... .12
1883, *20c olive bistre, No. 128 ..... .10
1894, *2c rose, No. 145 ..... .40
1899, *3c on 3c, No. 224 ..... .07
*5c on 5c blue, No. 225 ..... .08
1902, *1c on 3c purple, No. 232 ..... .07
1905, 50c gray blue & black, No. 238 .07

DUTCH INDIES.

1908, 7½c gray, No. 57 ..... .04
17½c bistre, No. 58 ..... .08
25c violet, No. 75 ..... .04
30c orange brown, No. 76 ..... .04
20c olive green, No. 91 ..... .03
25c violet, No. 93 ..... .03
30c orange brown, No. 94 ..... .03
50c red brown, No. 95 ..... .03
1912, 12½c dull blue, No. 111 ..... .03

EGYPT.

1872, 20pa blue, No. 20a ..... .13
1879, 20pa ultra, No. 33 ..... .08
2pia orange yellow, No. 35 .... .05
5pia green, No. 36 ..... .15
1884, 20pa on 5pia green, No. 37 ..... .20
20pa rose, No. 39 ..... .07
5pia gray, No. 41 ..... .03
1889, *3mil orange, No. 46 ..... .05
2pia orange brown, No. 47 .... .04
10pia purple, No. 48 ..... .02
1907, 4m brown red, No. 49 ..... .02
1914, 20m olive green, No. 56 ..... .05
50m violet, No. 57 ..... .15
1884, 5pia red, No. 105 ..... 1.10
1907, 1m to 1pia, Nos. 202 to 207 .... .05
5pia gray, No. 208 ..... .12
1913, 5m carmine rose, No. 209 ..... .05

SOUDAN.

1897, 1mil brown, No. 601 ..... .03
*2mil green, No. 602 ..... .01
*3mil orange, No. 603 ..... .05
5mil carmine rose, No. 604 ..... .07
1pia ultra, No. 605 ..... .13
1902, 1pia brown and ultra, No. 623.. .03
5pia green and brown, No. 625 .22

EPIRUS.

1914, *1d carmine and blue, No. 20.... .20
*2d orange and blue, No. 21 .... .35
*5d green and blue, No. 22 ..... .80

FRANCE.

1900, 20c brown violet, No. 115 ..... .04
30c violet, No. 117 ..... .03
2fr violet and yellow, No. 121 .. .06
5fr blue and buff, No. 122 ..... .20
1902, 30c lilac, No. 127 ..... .03
1903, 10c red, No. 133 ..... .06

OFFICES.

1902, 50c brown and lavender, No. 2227 .10
1fr claret and olive, No. 2228.. .12

FRENCH GUIANA.

1892, 1fr bronze green, No. 44 ..... .12

FRENCH GUINEA.

1912, *5c on 2c, No. 55 ..... .03
*5c on 4c, No. 56 ..... .03
*5c on 15c, No. 57 ..... .03
*5c on 20c, No. 58 ..... .05
*5c on 25c, No. 59 ..... .05
*5c on 30c, No. 60 ..... .10
*10c on 40c, No. 61 ..... .06

INDO CHINA.

1900, 5c yellow green, No. 17 ..... .08
10c red, No. 18 ..... .25
15c gray, No. 19 ..... .10
1900, 25c blue, No. 20 ..... .12
1904, 25c deep blue, No. 31 ..... .04

NEW CALEDONIA.

1900, 15c gray, No. 57 ..... .06

REUNION.

1892, *5c green, No. 40 ..... .08
*10c lavender, No. 41 ..... .05
1900, 10c red, No. 51 ..... .08
15c gray, No. 52 ..... .03

GREECE.

1900, 1dr on 40l, No. 134 ..... .20
1906, 20l magenta, No. 189 ..... .02
25l ultra, No. 190 ..... .03
1914, *2l carmine, No. 291 ..... .01
*5l blue, No. 292 ..... .02
1902, *3l orange, No. 450 ..... .02
20l lilac, No. 453 ..... .04
25l ultra, No. 454 ..... .04
50l red brown, No. 457 ..... .08

HORTA.

1898, 65r slate blue, No. 27 ..... .20

HUNGARY.

1874, 2k rose lilac, No. 13 ..... .03
3k green, No. 14 ..... .05
20k slate, No. 17 ..... .13
1888, 1fl gry. blue and slate, No. 30.. .04
3fl brown and gold, No. 31 .... .12
1898, 20k gray, No. 35 ..... .07
12k brown and green, No. 42 .... .05
20k gray, No. 43 ..... .02
50k red and orange, No. 46 ..... .04

ITALY.

1911, *2c brown, No. 100 ..... .02
10c carmine, No. 102 ..... .05
1912, *5c indigo, No. 104 ..... .05
*15c dark brown, No. 105 ..... .13
1913, *2c on 5c green, No. 107 ..... .02
*2c on 10c carmine, No. 108 .... .02
1917, *25c on 40c, No. 216 ..... .10
1903, 2l blue and magenta, No. 279.. .06
5l blue and magenta, No. 280 .. .07
50l yellow, No. 281 ..... .12
100l blue, No. 282 ..... .06

KIAUCHAU.

1900, 5pf green, No. 2 ..... .12
10pf carmine, No. 3 ..... .14
1905, 1c bistre brown, No. 14 ..... .10
2c green, No. 15 ..... .10
4c carmine, No. 16 ..... .07
10c ultra, No. 17 ..... .14
20c lake and black, No. 18 ..... .23

LUXEMBURG.

1882, 4c olive bistre, No. 50 ..... .07
12½c slate, No. 53 ..... .10
25c ultra, No. 55 ..... .05
50c bistre brown, No. 57 ..... .06
1892, 12½c slate, No. 61 ..... .03
20c orange, No. 62 ..... .02
37½c green, No. 65 ..... .05
50c brown, No. 66 ..... .05
1fr deep violet, No. 67 ..... .08

MACAO.

1887, *5r green and red, No. 32 ..... .08
*10r green and red, No. 33 ..... .12
*40r green and red, No. 34 ..... .35
1888, 10r green, No. 36 ..... .04
20r carmine, No. 37 ..... .10
1899, *5a on 13a violet, No. 89 ..... .10
1892, *2½r on 10r green, No. 303 ..... .05

MEXICO.

1899, 50c red lilac and black, No. 301 .08
1p blue and black, No. 302 .... .09
1903, *4c carmine, No. 306 ..... .05
50c carmine and black, No. 309.. .05
1910, 15c g. blue and claret, No. 316.. .02
*20c red and blue, No. 317 ..... .08
*50c red brown and black, No. 318 .13
50c red brown and black, No. 318 .06
*1p blue and black, No. 319 .... .25
1p blue and black, No. 319 .... .12
1914, *20c yellow brown, No. 359 ..... .12
*4c carmine, No. 373 ..... .15
*50c orange, grn. & black, No. 400 .18

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1914, *1c violet, No. 423 ..... .01
*2c green, No. 424 ..... .02
*3c orange brown, No. 425 ..... .02
*4c carmine, No. 426 ..... .06
*5c orange, No. 427 ..... .02
*10c blue and orange, No. 428 .... .04
*15c g. blue and claret, No. 429 .05
*20c red and blue, No. 430 ..... .06
*50c red b. and black, No. 431 .. .15
1p blue and black, No. 432 .... .38
1915, 1c violet, No. 455 ..... .03
*2c green, No. 456 ..... .02
*3c orange brown, No. 457 ..... .02
*5c orange, No. 459 ..... .02
*50c red brown and b., No. 463.. .50
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*20c red and blue, No. 491 ..... .18
1915, *1c to 10c, Nos. 500 to 505 ..... .15
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1916, *2c green, No. 518 ..... .02
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*5c orange, No. 521 ..... .03
*10c blue and orange, No. 522 .... .13
*50c red brown and b., No. 525.. .30
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*10c blue and orange, No. 533 .... .06
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*1p on 4c blue, No. 600 ..... .13
*1p on 5c blue, No. 601 ..... .13
*1p on 10c blue, No. 602 ..... .13
1917, 20c rose, No. 614 ..... .02
30c gray, No. 615 ..... .05
40c violet, No. 624 ..... .05
1p blue and black, No. 625 ..... .05

NETHERLANDS.

1869, 1½c rose, No. 22 ..... .30
1891, 25c dull violet, No. 48 ..... .03
50c bistre, No. 49 ..... .02
1896, 50c green and brown, No. 67 ... .03
1901, 15c blue and carmine, No. 89 ... .02
17½c violet, No. 90 ..... .10

NYASSA.

1897, *150r carmine, No. 10 ..... .50
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1902, *65r to 25r, Nos. 39 to 43 ..... .15

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*30k green, No. 404 ..... .90

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30c olive, No. 250 ..... .10
1886, *½c to 5m, Nos. 501-04 ..... .10
1899, Postage Due, 1c, No. 550 ..... .07
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1879, 25c blue, No. 26 ..... .03
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10c dark green, No. 66 ..... .02
20c gray lilac, No. 67 ..... .04
1884, 3c yellow brown, No. 72 ..... .03
5c gray blue, No. 73 ..... .02
1886, 5c gray blue, No. 74 ..... .03
1890, *1m emerald green, No. 76 ..... .08
*2m lilac rose, No. 77 ..... .02
*1c yellow brown, No. 81 ..... .02
8c ultra, No. 85 ..... .07
1893, 3c dark green, No. 108 ..... .50
1898, *15c olive green, No. 148 ..... .07
*40c violet, No. 150 ..... .16
*60c black, No. 151 ..... .20
*1c No. 158a ..... .50
*6c violet, No. 166 ..... .05
*20c olive gray, No. 168 ..... .15
*8c carmine rose, No. 171 ..... .07
*5c on 1m blue No. 179c ..... .07
1899 on U. S., *1c, No. 210 ..... .03
*5c blue, No. 212 ..... .09
*8c puce, No. 213 ..... .12
*10c yellow brown, No. 214 ..... .15

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1903, *2pf to 50pf, Nos. 201-8 ..... .07

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1892, 10pa gray green, No. 825 ..... .05
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2pia pale brown, No. 828 ..... .25
20pa violet b., No. 829b ..... .25

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1875, 25pf red brown, No. 59 ..... .12
50pf gray green, No. 61 ..... .04
2m black and orange, No. 64 .. .05
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49a	.75*	.04
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51	.04*	.02
52	.06*	.04
53	.06*	.02
54	.12*	.08*
55	.55	..
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72	.15*	.04
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PANAMA AND ITS POSTAGE STAMPS.

By Frederick E. Heydon.

Chapter IX.

Third Panama Issue, 1904.

These stamps have been sometimes referred to, although not very appropriately, as the "Fourth Panama Issue," but the stamps were probably surcharged in December, 1903. The facts of the case seem to be substantially as follows: After supplies of the 2c, 5c, 10c and 20c were obtained by the rather cumbrous process of obliterating "Colombia" by a bar in color of stamp, and then printing "PANAMA" twice by a second impression, it dawned on some of the intellectuals in the Panamaian postal service that impressions in one color would be practically as useful and avoid a needless expense. The 1c, 50c and 1p were therefore surcharged with both bar and "PANAMA" in carmine, by which I mean the shade only; as the color is not real carmine, but a crude and inferior substitute, which was so badly mixed that it was very deficient in adhesive qualities. In consequence, the finer lines of letters, particularly the A's, are often missing or defective, thus adding very materially to the difficulties attendant on the identification of varieties.

Additional supplies of the 2c and 20c were prepared by the same process. Most of the old errors were repeated, and many new ones introduced; the net result being one of the most difficult sets of stamps for purposes of study with which I am familiar. However, I am satisfied that nearly all of the errors are quite unintentional and arose almost entirely from two causes, first, the difficulty of obtaining the requisite number of capital A's, as stated in connection with the preceding issue, and secondly that the type was not locked securely in the forms, thus allowing letters to shift and even to drop out. For example, in the second arrangement, the upper and lower halves of the sheet should be exact duplicates, but this is not always the case. Letters, which were evidently loose when the upper half of the sheet was printed, have become entirely out of alignment, or apparently dropped out when the lower half was printed. I have seen sheets of the 20c and 1p, and a half sheet of the 50c, for which I am indebted to Mr. Luff, and from these and other data, particularly Bartels' valuable Check List, I have prepared diagrams which may be of some value to specialists.

The errors were noticed and the surcharging was so unsatisfactory that before the stamps were actually needed for immediate use, the Panamaian postal authorities prepared a new set. Early in 1904 a full set of surcharged stamps appeared, neat in appearance and quite free from errors, and they therefore held back the slovenly surcharges until called for to fill temporary shortages, some still remaining in stock available for another surcharge in 1906.

While a good many of the double and other abnormal surcharges of the Fourth Panama Issue should have been scrapped as printers' waste, those of the issue now under consideration, although unfortunately very numerous, are with hardly an exception legitimate.

The normal surcharge reads

This setting covers fifty stamps and is a re-arrangement—or, rather, three re-arrangements—of the setting for the preceding group. "PANAMA" is set to read in the same direction at both sides of the stamp. It usually reads upward, but sheets of the 1, 2 and 20 centavos exist on which it reads upward on one half the sheet and downward on the other half. As the sheet contained one hundred stamps, two impressions were required to surcharge it and, if it was reversed before the second impression was made, "PANAMA" would, of course, read in the opposite direction on the second half of the sheet.

The first arrangement covered ten horizontal rows of five stamps each, the second covered five horizontal rows of ten stamps each. In impressions from the first arrangement, we find the stamps with "PANAMA" 15½ mm. long in the first and tenth vertical rows; on six stamps of each of these rows, the larger word appears at each side, and on four stamps at one side only. In the second arrangement the first stamp in the top row has "PANAMA" reading downward at the left and upward at the right. Numbers 3 to 10 inclusive, in that row, have "PANAMA" 15½ mm. long at each side of the stamp. These varieties were repeated in the sixth row when the sheet was moved forward on the bed of the press before the second impression was made, but, when in what is known as the third arrangement or setting, the sheet was turned around, they appeared in the tenth row and No. 100 is the complementary stamp of No. 1.

The full list of varieties known, all of which, however, do not occur on any one value, is as follows:

THIRD PANAMA ISSUE. * Do not occur on all sheets.	Position in Setting When Known. I.	II.	III.
Normal type Panama 13x1¾ mm. up both sides,	All except as noted.	All except as noted.	Upper half of sheet
a, 13x1¾ mm., down both sides,	.....	.....	Lower half of sheet
b, 13x1¾ mm., down at left and up at right,	.....	.....	1, 100
c, 15½x2 mm., up both sides,	1st & 10th ver. row	6-10, 56-60	6 to 10
d, 15½x2 mm., down both sides,	.....	.....	91 to 95
e, Large PA and MA,	41, 60	3, 53	3, 98
f, Large PA and A,	10,20,30,40,61,71,81,91	4,5,54,55	4, 5, 96,97
g, Large PA and A, Inv. V for 2nd A,	50, 51	3, 5, 53, 55	3, 5, 96, 98
h, Large P and second A,	5, 95	35, 85	35, 66
i, Large P,	25, 76	49, 99	49, 52
j, First A large,	26, 75	42, 92	42, 59
k, Second A large,	.....	43, 93	43, 58
l, Third A large,	25, 76	44, 94	44, 57
* m, First A tall and thin, third A large,	.....	44, 94	44, 57
n, Inv. V for first A,	13,23,32,49,52,69,78,88	18,68	18, 83
o, Inv. V for second A,	36, 39, 62, 65	44, 94	44, 57
p, Inv. V for third A,	35, 39, 43, 58, 62, 66	25, 75	25, 76
q, Inv. V's for first and second, A's,	.....	42, 92	42, 59
r, Inverted V's for all three A's,	13, 88	27, 77	27, 74
* s, Arrowhead for first A,	?	.....	.....
* t, Inv. lower case y for second A,	.....	?	.....
* u, Inv. capital Y for third A,	.....	2, 52	.....
* v, Small solid triangle for third A,	.....	1, 51	.....
w, First A accented,	14, 87	.....	.....
x, Third A accented,	27, 84	34, 38, 84, 88	34, 38, 63, 67
y, (Usually listed as an inverted A, but looks more like a V in all copies that I have seen, reads down on left and up (normal) on right.)	.....	1, 51	1, 100
z, Inverted N,	24, 49, 52, 77	12, 40, 62, 90	34, 38, 63, 67
* aa, First A missing		51, 83, 84	
* bb, Second A missing,		68	
* cc, Third A missing		89	
* dd, N raised,		2, 52	
* ee, MA raised,		19, 69	19, 82
* ff, MA dropped,		68	
* gg, Third A small,		14	14, 87
* hh, Third A small and dropped,		64	
* ii, Third A raised,			
xjj, Inverted horizontal surch.,			
kk, Inverted surch. downward both sides,			
ll, Diagonal surch.,			
mm, Double sur., both upward,			
nn, Double sur., both downward,			
oo, Double sur., 1 upward and 1 downward,			
pp, Double sur., one horizontal,			
qq, Double sur., one horizontal inverted,			
rr, Double sur., one diagonal,			
ss, Shifted sur., once only, 13x1¾ mm.,			
tt, Shifted sur., twice same side, 13x1¾ mm.,			
uu, Shifted sur., twice same side, once 15½x2 mm.,			
vv, Shifted sur., twice one side, once other,			
ww, Shifted sur., same as vv, but occurs 15½x2 mm.,			
xx, Shifted sur., bar at bottom,			
yy, Shifted sur., bar covers perfs.,			
zz, Shifted sur., bar omitted,			
†aaa, Triple sur., upward,			
†bbb, Triple sur., 2 upward and 1 downward,			
ccc, Vertical pair, one with double surch.,			
ddd, Vertical pair, one with triple surch.,			

* These varieties do not occur in all values or in all sheets of the same value.

† These varieties should have been discarded as printers' waste if accidental, but this supposition seems to me so improbable that I feel compelled to consider them deliberate inventions for speculative purposes. I regard the other varieties as bona fide errors, although the number is unfortunately unusually large.

3d. Panama Issue, 1904, 2d. Arrangement.

Panama reads down at left and up at right (1 and 51), others up both sides.

1 y ·	2 · ·	3 e g	4 f f	5 f g	6 c c	7 c c	8 c c	9 c c	10 c c
11 · ·	12 · z	13 · ·	14 gg ·	15 · ·	16 · ·	17 · ·	18 · n	19 · ·	20 · ·
21 · ·	22 · ·	23 · ·	24 · ·	25 p ·	26 · ·	27 · r	28 · ·	29 · ·	30 · ·
31 · ·	32 · ·	33 · ·	34 · x	35 · h	36 · ·	37 · ·	38 · x	39 · ·	40 · z
41 · ·	42 j q	43 · k	44 o m	45 · ·	46 · ·	47 · ·	48 · ·	49 · i	50 · ·
51 y ·	52 · ·	53 e g	54 f f	55 f g	56 c c	57 c c	58 c c	59 c c	60 c c
61 · ·	62 · z	63 · ·	64 hh ·	65 · ·	66 · ·	67 · ·	68 · n	69 · ·	70 · ·
71 · ·	72 · ·	73 · ·	74 · ·	75 p ·	76 · ·	77 · r	78 · ·	79 · ·	80 · ·
81 · ·	82 · ·	83 · ·	84 · x	85 · h	86 · ·	87 · ·	88 · x	89 · ·	90 · z
91 · ·	92 j q	93 · k	94 o m	95 · ·	96 · ·	97 · ·	98 · ·	99 · i	100 · ·

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3849	25c Warehouse Receipt	.22
3851	30c Inland Exchange	.04
3852	40c Inland Exchange	.04
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3869	$1.00 Lease	.05
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3873	$1.00 Passage Ticket	2.20
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3875	$1.00 Probate of Will	.45
3877	$1.50 Inland Exchange	.06
3879	$1.90 Foreign Exchange	.40
3880	$2.00 Conveyance	.06
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3883	$2.50 Inland Exchange	.08
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3885	$3.00 Manifest	.06
3886	$3.50 Inland Exchange	.35
3887	$5.00 Charter Party	.07
3888	$5.00 Conveyance	.0€
3891	$5.00 Probate of Will	.22
3892	$10.00 Charter Party	.25
3895	$10.00 Probate of Will	.25
3898	$20.00 Probate of Will	11.50
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3905	3c blue and black	.18
3907	5c blue and black	.04
3910	15c blue and black	.18
3911	20c blue and black	.06
3914	40c blue and black	.15
3923	$2.00 blue and black	.18
3925	$3.00 blue and black	.50
	THIRD ISSUE—1871-72	
3947	5c black and orange	.04
3949	15c black and brown	.13
3950	30c black and orange	.13
3951	40c black and brown	.19
3953	70c black and green	.19
3954	$1.00 black and green	.04
3955	$2.00 black and vermilion	.10
3957	$3.00 black and green	.60
3958	$5.00 black and vermilion	.19
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4012	5c Proprietary	.04
4025	½c orange Documentary	.04
4032	10c Documentary unused	.06
4036	80c Documentary	.05
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4039	$5.00 orange red uncut	.04
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I have only noted missing letters where I have seen them or they have been reported on good authority, but they doubtless occur elsewhere, as, particularly, on the 1p, letters are not infrequently barely legible, and at times only traces appear.

The inverted V's for A's are only noted where my own observations agree with Bartels' Check List, but frequently many such letters seem to exist, and an isolated example with this defect may come from practically any part of the sheet.

Variety "e" and those that follow it in the list usually exist reading downward as well as upward. It appears to me better to disregard these differences as far as assigning them specific letters. Letters c and d have, however, been assigned to the corresponding varieties with PANAMA 15½x2 mm. on each side, as from their comparatively frequent occurrence they are obtainable.

While I have examples of varieties s and t I am unable to indicate their position in the settings. but the former was undoubtedly in the first arrangement; the latter may exist in either the second or third or in both.

Check List.

THIRD PANAMA ISSUE. Description of varieties.	Reference number	95	96	97	98	99
	Denomination	1c	2c	20c	50c	1 peso
	Color of stamp	green	rose	violet	bistre-brown	lake
	Color of surcharge.	carm.	carm.	carm.	carm.	carm.
Normal type, 13x1¾ mm., up both sides,		x	x	x	x	x
a, 13x1¾ mm. down both sides,		x	x			
b, 13x1¾ mm., down at left & up at right,		x	x	x	x	x
c, 15½x2 mm., up both sides,		x	x	x	x	x
d, 15½x2 mm., down both sides,		x	x			
* e, Large PA and MA,		x	x	x	x	x
f, Large PA and A,		x	x	x	x	x
* g, Large PA and A, inverted V for 2nd A,		x	x	x	x	x
* h, Large P and second A,		x	x	x	x	x
i, Large P,		x	x	x	x	x
* j, First A large,		x	x	x	x	x
k, Second A large,				x	x	x
* l, Third A large,		x	x	x	x	x
m, First A tall and thin, third A large,				x	x	x
n, Inverted V for first A,		x	x	x	x	x
* o, Inverted V for second A,		x	x	x	x	x
p, Inverted V for third A,		x	x	x	x	x
q, Inverted V's for first and second A,		x	x	x	x	x
r, Inverted V's for all three A's,		x	x	x	x	x
s, Arrowhead for first A,				†x		
t, Inverted lower case y for second A,						‡x
u, Inverted capital Y for third A,					x	x
v, Small solid triangle for third A,					x	
w, First A accented,		x	x			
x, Third A accented,		x	x	x	x	x
y, Usually listed inverted A, but seems a V, down at left and up normal at right,		x	x	x		
z, Inverted N,		x	x	x	x	x
aa, First A missing,		x	x		x	x
bb, Second A missing,		x	x	x		
cc, Third A missing,		x	x			
dd, N raised,			x			
ee, MA raised,		x				
ff, MA dropped,				x		
gg, Third A small,				x		
hh, Third A small and dropped,				x		
ii, Third A raised,						
jj, Inverted horizontal surcharge,			x			
kk, Inverted surch. downward both sides,			x			
ll, Diagonal surcharge,			x			
mm, Double surch., both upward,		x	x	x	x	x
nn, Double surcharge, both downward,		x	x			
oo, Double sur., 1 upward and 1 downward,		x			x	
pp, Double surch., one horizontal,		x	x	x		
qq, Double surch., one horizontal inv.,		x		x		
rr, Double surch., one diagonal,						x
ss, Shifted surch., only once, 13x1¾ mm.,		x	x	x	x	x
tt, Shifted surch., twice on same side, 13x1¾ mm.,		x	x	x	x	x
uu, Shifted surch., twice on same side, once 15½x2 mm.,			x	x		x
vv, Shifted surch., twice on one side, once on the other,		x	x	x	x	x
ww, Shifted surch., same as vv, but occurs 15½x2 mm.,			x	x	x	x
xx, Shifted surcharge, bar at bottom,		x				
yy, Shifted surch., bar covers perforations,			x			
zz, Shifted surch., bar omitted,		x				x
aaa, Triple surcharge upward,			x			
bbb, Triple surch., 2 upward, one downward,			x			
ccc, Vertical pair, one with double surch.,			x			
ddd, Vertical pair, one with triple surch.,			x			

* Varieties e and g, h and j, and l and o always occur on the same stamp in the second and third settings.

† Corrected in later printings.

‡ I have only seen this with the additional 1906 surcharge.

3D. PANAMA ISSUE, 1904, 3D. ARRANGEMENT.

PANAMA READS DOWN AT LEFT, UP AT RIGHT (1,100) UP BOTH SIDES (2-50) DOWN BOTH SIDES (51-99).

1 b	2 • •	3 e g	4 f f	5 f g	6 c c	7 c c	8 c c	9 c c	10 c c
11 • •	12 • z	13 • •	14 gg •	15 • •	16 • •	17 • •	18 • n	19 • •	20 • •
21 • •	22 • •	23 • •	24 • •	25 p •	26 • •	27 • r	28 • •	29 • •	30 • •
31 • •	32 • •	33 • •	34 • x	35 • h	36 • •	37 • •	38 • x	39 • •	40 • z
41 • •	42 j q	43 • k	44 o m	45 • •	46 • •	47 • •	48 • •	49 • i	50 • •
51 • •	52 i •	53 • •	54 • •	55 • •	56 • •	57 m o	58 k •	59 q j	60 • •
61 z •	62 • •	63 x •	64 • •	65 • •	66 h •	67 x •	68 • •	69 • •	70 • •
71 • •	72 • •	73 • •	74 r •	75 • •	76 • p	77 • •	78 • •	79 • •	80 • •
81 • •	82 • •	83 n •	84 • •	85 • •	86 • •	87 • gg	88 • •	89 z •	90 • •
91 c c	92 c c	93 c c	94 c c	95 c c	96 g f	97 f f	98 g e	99 • •	100 b

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We are pleased to present herewith a picture of Mr. E. T. Wallis, the proprietor of the Indiana Stamp Co. of Indianapolis, Ind., but regret that the necessary details are lacking in connection with his philatelic career. For some time the firm has been a regular user of space in the WEEKLY, specializing in auctions. As will be seen elsewhere in this issue, however, the firm has a good stock and is well prepared to deal with approval requests. Both United States and foreign stamps are specialized in. Mr. Wallis is No. 60 in the American Stamp Dealers' Assn. and with all his other activities is connected with the *Stamp Herald*, the well known Bushnell publication from Indianapolis. Mr. Wallis is an enthusiastic supporter of philatelic societies and has a membership in both the American Philatelic Society and the Sons of Philatelic America.

The general collector would do well to be satisfied with the following varieties:—

Normal type reading upwards both sides.

a, PANAMA 13x1¾ mm. reading down both sides.

b or *y*, PANAMA, PANVMA or PANVMA 13x1¾ mm. reading down at left and up at right.

c or *d*, PANAMA 15½x2 mm., reading up or down.

e, PAnaMA—Large PA and MA.

f or *g*, PAnamA or PAnaMA, Large PA and A (with or without inverted V).

i or *h*, PANAMA, or PANAMA, Large P (or P and 2nd A).

n, *o*, *p*, *q* or *r*, PANAMA, etc. One or more inverted V's for A's.

x, PANAMA. Third A accented.

These seem to me the most important varieties, excluding some very scarce ones, and with an example of each of these on say the 1c or 2c, and normal type and PANAMA 15½x2 mm. for the other values, the issue would be fairly represented. I do not include the inverted "N". I would suggest care that the inverted V's are really such and not faulty A's, as, owing to defective inking and printing these are very numerous.

As to the arrowhead for an A, inverted Y, and all inverted, double and shifted surcharges, even specialists will do well not to form any fanciful conclusion as to completing their collections.

There is, however, a fascination in the quest of the unattainable, if not taken too seriously, and I know from my own experience that there are still opportunities of picking up very rare varieties at moderate prices.

As regards arrangement and display, my remarks as to the Second Panama Issue are applicable here.

(*To be continued.*)

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—We are informed by Edwin P. Seebohm of the death of two stamp collectors, Frederick T. Huddart, a prominent coin and stamp collector of San Francisco and W. Wolters of Honolulu. Mr. Huddart was active in the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society, where he had been honored with official position. Mr. Wolters was an old-time collector and has long been a subscriber to the WEEKLY.

—We have received from J. E. Handshaw, the present proprietor of the J. W. Scott Co. Ltd., an appreciative tribute to John W. Scott whose death was announced in the WEEKLY of Jan. 11. Mr. Handshaw says:—"I had known him for a great many years and my dealings with him were very pleasant. While at the time of his death he had no financial interest in his old business, he made it a practise to call in upon us quite frequently and I have had many a pleasant chat with him. We have had a cut made from his last picture and have also written up a little tribute which will appear in the *Metropolitan Philatelist* for January."

—The Jersey City (N. J.) Stamp Club which disbanded for the period of the war is to be revived. Former or would-be members are invited to communicate with F. E. Prohaska, 82 Hutton St., Jersey City, N. J.

—Elliott Perry of Westfield, N. J., has recently been elected secretary of the New York Collectors' Club. He writes sententiously:—"I do hope I am not elected to anything else this year."

—Dickey, the precancel man, tells us that Newton, Kans., used great quantities of precancels during the holiday season, including the 16c aeroplane. Mr. Dickey sends us a letter received from Maj. (Dr.) W. I. Mitchell, who writes that he got abroad just in time to get into the big push that started Sept. 25 and ended Nov. 11.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from Elm City Stamp Co., Maitland Milliken, Wm. F. Goerner, E. J. Southern and Paul Murray.

—Fred S. Martin of Greene, N. Y., has sent us a weird production "obtained from a post office in Palestine", so one of Mr. Martin's customers reports. So far as we are personally concerned it might be a hat tax stamp or most any kind of a label, for there is not a word of English upon the stamp and it would require a Howes to translate it into stamp terms. The label is oblong rectangular in shape, is printed in brown, is crudely engraved and we shall await developments before giving it a regular listing.

JOHN W. SCOTT, PHILATELIST.

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Canadian Airplane stamp, actually carried Govt. mail, unused	.30
Same, tete beche	.60
Canada, Thrift Stamp	.27
Newfoundland, Caribou, 12 stamps, complete, unused	1.42
Ecuador, Nos. 145 to 152, unused	.65
Ecuador, Nos. 181 to 189, unused	.75
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Hayti, recent **Provisionals** set 7 unused	.08
U. S. freaks 1c, two half stamps on one stamp. Each	1.00
Canada 1c coil 8X imperf. Pair	.04
U. S. 13c **Franklin**, just out, unused..	.15
Macao, Nos. 142, 143, used on pieces cover, cat. $2.50, both	.33
Ceylon, K. G., 2, 3, 5, 6, set	.02
Straits Settlements, K. G., 1c, 4c, 5c, 8c, 10c, 50c	.11
Hong Kong, K. E., 2, 4, 5, 10, 20, set	.11
Hong Kong, K. G., 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 20, 25c, 30, 50c (**white back**) set ..	.32
Hong Kong, overprinted **CHINA** 1c 2c, 4c, 6c, 10c, 20c, set	.12
China, current, ½c to $1.00, 15 var., set	.21
Nicaragua, 527, 529, 530, 531, 532, cat. $2. Per set	.36
Hayti, 145a, 146a, cat. 50c for	.07
Philippine Mixture, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 16, 30, per 100	.30

U. S. Envelope, Albino, (embossed, but inkless) 1, 2, 3c, entire, set .38

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Now that foreign mails are open we expect some heavy parcels which will be listed in

Roessler's Stamp News

EAST ORANGE, N. J.

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Is a "Proof" of the bad nights he spends.
No longer a "Good Lot", hair worn to a "Thin Spot",
"Off Color" and hating his "Trade":
No place to barge in, "Without Any Margin"
He can't walk a block in the "Shade".
No martyr well "Grilled" * * *
(To be continued.)

LEST YOU FORGET

those cute little selections of old U. S.—postage, revenues, departments, and M. & M.—let me say that they are made up to please collectors who want nice stamps at reasonable prices. The Chinese have a funny saying about planting watermelon seeds in the spring and the right time to get good stamps is—when the getting is good.

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NEW BRITAIN, RABAUL, No.101,rare 16.50
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NIUE, 1sh O. G., just out ..... .45
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was the price I offered last week for a complete sheet of the 5c error imperforate and the offer is still open. I will also pay $25.00 for a sheet of the current 3c surface print plate 8717—$25 for an imperforate sheet, any plate of the 3c surface print type III.

Require for my collection of U. S. one or a dozen fine copies of the following, on or off cover, New York 5c, 1847, 10c, 1851, 1c, 10c, 12c, 1857, 5c, 24c, 1861-66, 5c, 15c, 24c, 1869, 15c, 30c, 1870, 24c, etc., also unused blocks of 1894-95, 10c up, Omaha high values also used high values above $10 of the current Wine and Documentary Stamps.

SIAM

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Hong Kong, 1907, 10 blue	.03
Indore, No. 52, 1a green	.02
Jamaica 1912, No. 63, 2d gray	.02
1912, No. 65, 3d vio. & yell.	.05
1912, No. 67, 6d red violet	.07
1916, No. 305, 1½d orange	.05

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68	.15	162	.25	424	.01
73	.07	165	.25	425	.02
76	.40	*166	2.75	426	.05
77	.50	215	.03	427	.06
89	.60	217	.30	1460	.12
91	1.45	218	1.25	1461	.15
93	.10	229	.40	1546	.10
112	.50	334	.20	1547	.10
113	.12	365	.12	2029	.15
115	.50	367	.08	2030	.25
116	.60	368	.18	2031	.22
117	.50	385	.06	2032	.35
119	.75	386	.12	2034	.18
121	1.50	403	.01	2052	.10
148	.10	405	.05	2061	.22
151	.25	406	.08	2087	.07
TASMANIA							
1	20.00	26	.30	50	3.00
6	1.25	29	.50	55	.40
11	1.00	32	.70	57	1.00
11b	1.00	33	3.00	70b	1.25
13	1.50	34	.50	72	.35
13b	.50	48	1.00	215	.50
16	1.00	49	1.90	217	2.50
TOBAGO							
1	1.00	10	2.75	51	.14
2	2.60	12	1.00	24	.50
3	2.60	14	.35	35	1.75
*10	6.75	15	.40	26	.60
TURKS ISLAND							
7	5.00	32	20.00	43	2.00
8	5.00	35	28.00	48	.30
16	4.00	40	1.50	53	.50
29 and 30 pair	22.00			54	.50

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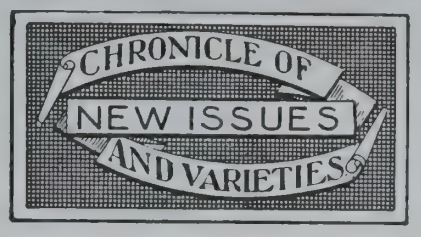

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Rumors still persist that the Post Office Department will shortly issue a Victory stamp. The latest news, which we might state is of a semi-official character, in that it will be a 3c stamp, that the design has been made, the die engraved and approval of same is now awaited. We wrote to the department a couple weeks back in regards to the issue but have not as yet been favored with a reply. For some unknown reason it seems to be the policy of the officials now in charge to keep all such information secret until the stamp is ready and is placed on sale. Instead of giving such information all the publicity possible, they follow the methods used in connection with the issuing of the aeroplane stamps—we hear about them definitely about two days ahead of the time the stamp is placed on sale.

Mr. Milton P. Lyons, Jr., informs us that he has located the current 3c stamp, surface print, type IV, with a distinct triple impression. Unfortunately the writer did not have the opportunity of viewing the stamp, but as Mr. Lyons is well posted on such matters we do not feel that this was an optical delusion as is quite often the case with many varieties sent us for inspection.

The sheet of 3c type IV, printed on the back, which we described quite recently was sold in Philadelphia where it has since been broken up. Mr. A. E. Owen, one of our authorities on late issues examined these most carefully and states that he is convinced that the printing on the back is not a direct print, but is an offset from an offset. To make this clearer, he believes that an impression, heavily inked, from the roller was made direct and that this in turn left a reverse impression on a second sheet. A third impression was obtained from this reverse thus giving us what appears to be a direct impression on the back. We examined a single copy and a large block and from the single specimen was led to believe that this was a direct print from the roller. The block, however, in places, showed white streaks which we would hardly expect except from an offset, then too on the back of some stamps there was but spots or streaks of color and this would hardly happen if a firm direct impression was made from the inked roller.

We learn that the Senate has passed a bill which now goes to the House, granting to Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt the franking privilege. Your editor has often wondered why the philatelist has not paid more attention to the autograph frank, for it is really a signature that has taken the place of the postage stamp. It franks a letter or rather pays the postage just the way the Department stamps did in former years. I have been a number of years trying to get together a complete series of Presidential Franks, that is letters franked by the Presidents of the United States from Washington to Wilson and today have twenty-one out of the twenty-seven.

Mr. G. M. Williamson calls our attention to the fact that with the discontinuance of the *Philatelic Gazette* the plate number collector as well as the student that goes deeply into our issues, will be unable to keep posted as to the numbers assigned to the different plates by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. We will be glad to obtain and publish this information from time to time, beginning where the *Gazette* left off, providing there are enough of our readers interested.

Mr. J. M. Bartels has very kindly given us a complete set of the current envelopes, all dies, including the rare 2c Die C so that when new varieties appear we will be able to distinguish them and give early information. The writer, in the past, has given scant attention to envelopes, collecting adhesvies only, but from now on will become posted. Miss Pigeon, Mr. Bartels' able assistant, has pointed out most carefully the distinguishing characteristics of the present emissions so in the future we will have at least a speaking acquaintance with the subject.

BAHAMAS.—Mr. William L. Aldrich has shown us a copy of the new Charity stamp recently issued. The 1d Queen's staircase stamp has been surcharged "WAR CHARITY 3.6.18" in three lines in red. We have also heard that these were entirely sold out the first day they were put on sale and all orders were filled only in part.

CEYLON.—A. C. Roessler informs us that this island has put out five fine low value provisional stamps. Four are war stamps. The set consists of the current 2, 3 and 5c surcharged WAR STAMP in black in two lines. In addition the current 5c has been overprinted in black in one line with new value ONE CENT, and this in turn has been made into a war stamp with the same surcharge that was applied to the 2, 3 and 5c. Mr. Roessler writes that this colony contributed ten million dollars to Britain's war fund and part of the amount has been made up through postal taxes. It will thus be the privilege of American collectors to contribute to the colonial exchequer.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.—We have received from J. A. Galbraith specimens of the current ½d, 1d and 1sh with the overprint WAR STAMP in black in the lower part of the stamps just above the inscription indicating the value of each stamp. Mr. Galbraith feels that the supply printed was small but has no definite information in relation to the same. We are not advised as to whether any other values than the three indicated have been overprinted.

HAYTI.—Mr. A. W. Dunning has submitted copies of the following new provisionals of this country:—7c de p, orange-red, No. 168, surcharged "1 ct. Gourde", type a, of the 1917 overprint, in black; 3c de p orange, No. 156; 3c de p brown, No. 127; 15c de p yellow, No. 171, all surcharged "2 cts. Gourde", type b, as above in red and 10c de p red-brown, No. 170, surcharged "5 cts. Gourde" in black, type a, as in the first value noted.

KISHENGARH. — Mr. Jno. Godinho, writing under date September 16, 1918, states that the sale of "On K.D.S." stamps of this State has been discontinued. No cause has as yet been assigned for this sudden suspension. Mr. Godinho has reason to believe that the appearance of a number of errors in complete sheets in Bombay led to an acrimonious correspondence between collectors and dealers and the authorities of the Kishengarh State. It is even alleged, and we trust it may prove to be true, that an inquiry was held regarding the complaints from stamp collectors, and possibly the discontinuance of the sale of these notorious official provisionals is the result of the reported inquiry. Further developments are expected.—*Stamp Collecting.*

LIBERIA.—According to the *Madrid Filatélico*, the ten cents triangular adhesive of 1909 and the corresponding official stamp have been surcharged with a new value, 3 cents. These provisionals are said to have been issued just before the new series described in our columns some months ago. The overprint in both cases is in red.—*Stamp Collecting.*

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NORWAY.—From the Kristiania *Aftenposten* we learn the following interesting news: "By reason of the greatly increased postal traffic and the increased rates the Norwegian Post Office Department resolved to issue a 5 kroner stamp, a new value for Norway. In interested philatelic circles it had long been hoped that this value might be issued in a more satisfactory design than the current Norwegian kroner values, e. g. something like the present Danish and Swedish 5 kroner stamps with view of the General Post Office building, a proposal which had even been discussed by high authorities in Kristiania. However, the new G. P. O. building will not be finished for several years to come for which reason it was not thought appropriate to depict it so long in advance. The new 5 kroner stamp will therefore be of the same design as the present other kroner values. The color has not yet been decided on. —*Albermarle Stamp Collector.*

Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

NEW PAGES FOR OUR STAMP ALBUMS.

By BERTRAM W. H. POOLE.

It has been observed by different writers on many occasions that modern history is plainly marked in the pages of a well filled stamp album. Changes of government, political upheavals, the rise and fall of dynasties, local and international celebrations, etc., are all vividly portrayed. Changes of greater or lesser import are always taking place and these are invariably marked by the issue of new postage stamps. Some of these transformations have merely affected the names of certain territories such as the renaming of British New Guinea to Papua, or Nyasaland Protectorate for British Central Africa. Then again amalgamations of territory have taken place such as occurred when Lagos and the two Nigerias were united into one administrative area under the name of Nigeria, or the style of government has been changed as when Portugal and China became republics. But whatever the nature or extent of the change sooner or later it is marked by the issue of new stamps. Wars have always brought their crop of philatelic novelties and it is therefore hardly to be wondered that the last four years represents a fruitful period of stamp issuing. Not only have there been plenty of new stamps for countries already well-known but many new names have written themselves large on the philatelic firmament. Since 1914, for instance, the following entirely new names have required pages in our albums—Cape Juby, Ubangi, Hedjaz, Kionga, Naura, New Britain, and Rouad. And such is the swift progress of events in stamp history that almost before these had ceased to be novelties the new catalogues introduces us to still others of which the most striking are Palestine and Mesopotamia. In this short article, taking these newcomers in the alphabetical order in which they are catalogued, we will endeavor to give a few notes—general, historical or geographical—regarding each.

Cape Juby consists of the territory contiguous to the promontory of the same name on the west coast of Africa. It covers an area of about 6,300 square miles and as its population consists chiefly of wandering Arabs the necessity for postage stamps is not very apparent. Spain has administered this territory for generations but it was not formally annexed to the Spanish crown until 1916.

The new kingdom of the Hedjaz—a name which means "the barrier"—consists of the northern part of Arabia to the east of the Red Sea. It covers about 96,500 square miles and has a population of over 300,000. Its two chief cities are Medina and Mecca, the latter as the birthplace of Mohammed being a holy city and focus of pilgrimage for Islam. When the present king as Shereef of Mecca defeated the Turk he declared his territory independent of the Ottoman Empire and immediately arranged for the issue of distinctive postage stamps. These were produced in Cairo and the designs are of considerable interest. The 1 piastre, which was the first to appear was issued in August, 1916, and shows in the centre the Arabic words "Makka el Mokarrama" (Holy Mecca). The characters at top and bottom mean "Hedjaz Post" and "one piastre" respectively, while in the side panels the date of the Arabic year 1334 is shown, this being the Lunar year following the prophet Mohammed's flight from Mecca to Medina. The main portion of this design was taken from the detail of an ancient prayer-niche in the mosque of El Amri at Qus, Upper Egypt. A ½ piastre stamp appeared in September, the design, which incorporated inscriptions similar to those on the 1 pia., being taken from the last page of a Koran in the mosque of Sultan Barquq, and it dates from the fourteenth century. This was followed in October by a ¼ pia. value the design of which was worked up from one of the carved panels on the principal door of a Cairo mosque. In February, 1917, a ⅛ pia. stamp was added to the set, the central ornament of the design for this denomination being based on a fragment of a Koran design from the tomb of Sultan el Churi (16th century). The arabesque ornament forming the background was taken from the stone carving on the sides of the arch at the entrance to the Wakfs Ministry in Cairo. Stamps of other denominations have been issued since, the designs of these being also typically Arabesque and the whole series form a fascinating group characteristic of this new Arabian kingdom.

Kionga for which the Portuguese issued provisional stamps in 1916 is a mountainous region situated in the northern portion of the erstwhile colony of German East Africa.

Mesopotamia, meaning "between the rivers" is the district between the Euphrates and Tigris rivers. It consists of a great plain with an area of about 55,000 square miles. The soil is sandy but when well watered or, as it was in ancient times, well irrigated, it develops an extraordinary fertility. Yet since 1515 when the Turks made themselves masters of the region it has fallen more and more a prey to barrenness and neglect. Held successively by the Assyrians, Babylonians, Persians, Greeks, Romans and Arabs it has been the battleground of these mighty empires. Its most notable town, Baghdad, at which the British army of occupation issued provisional postage stamps, is surrounded by a brick wall, five miles in circumference, and forty feet high, and by a deep dry ditch. The river is spanned by a bridge of boats, 220 yards long, and the communication is guarded by a citadel. There are four gates, the finest of which, bearing the date 1220, has remained closed since 1638. Since 1836 British steamers have plied on the Tigris between Baghdad and Basra, and here one of the chief stations of the Anglo-Indian telegraph is situated.

Nauru is one of the Marshall Islands which once formed part of the German colony of that name and was occupied by the Australian Expeditionary Force in October, 1914. It is administered from Rabaul, New Britain, which latter territory was once known as German New Guinea. While the seat of administration has not been changed, the New Guinea settlement has since been renamed Nauru.

Palestine, Canaan, the Land of Israel, or the Holy Land, the scene of most of the great events of sacred story, is a country in the southwest of Syria. Palestine proper has an area of about 6000 square miles. Formerly the home of the Jews, it has, since 70 A. D., been held by Persians, Saracens, Latin Crusaders and Turks, but has never been the home of a nation. Now that it has been wholly freed from the domain of the Turk its ancient prosperity may return in some measure. Until General Allenby's victorious army occupied Jerusalem, Palestine had never had distinctive stamps but it will doubtless now make up for lost time.

Rouad is an island in the Levant off the coast of Syria which was occupied by French troops in 1916, the occupation being signalised by the establishment of a French post office and the issue of a special series of stamps.

The French colony which Scott lists as Ubangi forms part of French equatorial Africa and in addition to Ubangi proper consists of territory on each side of the river Chari and the military district of Tchad on the lake of the same name. This territory was constituted as such under the authority of Lieutenant-Governor Estébe in January, 1910, but it was not until October, 1915, that distinctive postage stamps were issued.

The foregoing notes concern new countries or colonies which have actually issued stamps and it is obvious that when the final session of the Peace Conference has been held there will be many more entirely new stamp issuing countries. It is probable that most of the European countries will treat us to new stamps, but how many pages in our albums will be headed with new names is a matter regarding which we can only conjecture. Prophetic speculations are undoubtedly rash and yet if "coming events cast their shadows before" it is fairly safe to assume that before long we shall have to re-open the long closed page for Poland.

The ultimate disposition of the erstwhile German colonial possessions is bound to result in some changes, and even Germany itself may be split up more or less, so that the re-opening of such pages as Prussia, Baden and Saxony is by no means improbable. Albania represents another page that will probably become "active" again, while Arabia—apart from the independent kingdom of Hedjaz—will undoubtedly come under British influence and we may see special stamps for that country. To the north, France will probably control Syria, which has been historically hers from the days of the Crusades, while Armenia will probably be helped to independence and ultimately to a postal system of its own. Finland will probably be a republic and it seems highly probable we shall want new pages for the issues of the Murmans, and the peoples of Ukraine and Lithuania. It is practically certain we shall see new pages opened for the countries of the Jugo-Slavs and Czecho-Slovaks. Indeed, at the time of writing it is rumored that the government of the latter have actually placed a series of stamps on sale with the Lion of Bohemia as the main feature of the design.

Finally, an entirely new Turkish state under the name of Anatolia has been suggested and if this becomes an accomplished fact it would mean another new page for our albums. The future is in fact pregnant with "possibilities" and whatever betides it would appear that there is likely to be no lack of novelties for the most omnivorous new issue enthusiast for many moons to come.

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(This editorial is taken from the New York Sun and copies have been sent us by Allen S. Davenport, O. Ivan Lee and Henry Jonas, the latter signing himself "A Subscriber from No. 1 to the present time." Two feel that the suggestion is a good one and Mr. Davenport comments upon the fact that so reputable a newspaper as the Sun should make editorial mention of the matter. No doubt many of our subscribers will feel that a set of stamps commemorating the great victory will be eminently proper. If you feel so, write the Department.—W. O. W.)

A correspondent makes the timely suggestion that our Government should make a new issue of postage stamps in celebration of the successful collaboration of the United States in defeating Germany, the world's outlaw, and bringing a cessation of hostilities to the distracted nations.

We wish that the present Post Office Department were a worthier instrument in the carrying out of this excellent idea. The daily work of this great department is done so badly that one cannot feel enthusiastic about entrusting any fine undertaking to it, as at present administered. Of course, it is fond of playing with side issues, and with such novelties as air-routes for the mail, we bespeak better brains for the work of making a new issue of Victory Stamps than have been enlisted in the routine work of the department, or even in the establishment of the flying mails.

The idea itself is admirable; we hope the Post Office Department will adopt it and make it enough of a success to bring forgiveness for many present shortcomings. The occasion is of far more importance than many former occasions for new postal issues, such as the Louisiana Purchase, the Founding of Jamestown or even the Columbian celebration. The end of the World War is surely a unique subject of commemoration by the deepest inspiration of Art, by the sincerest thankfulness of a free people, and by the concert of all Americans of whatever variety of political ideas.

The new stamps should carry the message of the American Republic to all the nations of the earth. We have been able to lend force to the blow which has slain the monster. It was the high favor of Fortune which allowed America to give the *coup de grace*. Let America show her gratitude for that favor by a becoming attitude toward her associates in the great fight and let these new postage stamps contain distinct recognition of new, world-wide and enduring national friendships.

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Nor would it seem that this was applicable to one side only. The editor recently received from an officer overseas a small collection of postage stamps found in a German officer's front-line dug-out. The stamps themselves were of little value from the financial standpoint, but the arranging and study of them no doubt afforded much pleasure to their former owner.

So much for the past. What of the future? With the record of the past we think there is nothing to fear. Philately has taken the firmest of holds, and has successfully surmounted the most trying times that it will in all probability ever have to face.—*London Philatelist.*

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By BERTRAM W. H. POOLE.

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At the same time that General Maude was harassing the Turk in Mesopotamia, General Allenby was by a series of brilliant victories driving him out of Palestine. As the British troops moved northwards the question of providing adequate postal facilities for the civilian population of Southern Palestine engaged the attention of the military authorities. Arrangements were made for the transmission of correspondence through the Army Post-offices in occupied enemy territory and on December 19th, 1917, authority was given for the preparation of an adhesive postage stamp of distinctive design and two months later stamps were issued. The stamps were manufactured at Cairo and were of the value of 1 piastre. The design consists of Arabic characters, the value, "Postage Paid" and the letters "E. E. F", the latter signifying "Egyptian Expeditionary Force". They were printed on the watermarked paper used for the contemporary stamps of Great Britain and at first were only sold to be affixed to letters actually handed to the postal employes. Later as further supplies were received these sale restrictions were removed. A provisional 5 mils stamp was also issued this value being surcharged on the 1pia. Subsequent supplies of this label were printed in London in a paler shade of blue and in June, 1918, a set of six values was despatched from London for use throughout the Holy Land.

We next turn to the operations of the Allies in the Levant, where a number of interesting provisionals were issued, although we must admit that the status of some of these has aroused considerable controversy.

During the early months of 1916, one of the Turkish Islands in the Aegean Sea was occupied by British naval authorities and renamed Long Island. In connection with this occupation a number of exceedingly crude labels were issued and although these are not listed by Scott and are decried by many collectors in England, they seem to have been issued under properly constituted authority and to be in every way a legitimate issue. When the navy took control of this island the only stamps found there were a few Turkish fiscals and these were overprinted "G. R. I Postage" and new values by means of a typewriter. The supply of these stamps was quite inadequate for the island's needs and a supplementary supply was made by means of a typewriter. The design is crude in the extreme consisting of "G. R. I.—Long Island—Postage and Revenue" and the value in five lines within a border of dots. At first green paper was used and to save time the sheets of stamps were duplicated by using carbon paper. As both blue and mauve carbons were used the stamps are found in these colors as well as in black. The green paper was found most unsuitable and ordinary white typewriting paper was used. This lasted for a short while and after it was exhausted transfer paper cut from a folio letter-copying book was employed. The result is a conglomeration of curious stamps literally made on the spot as required. They were in use only between the 7th and 26th of May when the Turks became so offensive that the naval force, presumably, evacuated the island.

Early in 1916 it was proposed that a British force should be landed in a "certain place" in the Levant and stamps were prepared for the use of civilians in that place. These provisionals consisted of eight values of the contemporary set of Great Britain overprinted "Levant" in heavy type. The proposed landing was abandoned and as the stamps were on hand they were placed on sale at Salonika and were in use for about two weeks. The stamps were overprinted at the British Army Printing Office, Salonika, on January 23rd, 1916, and they were in issue from some time in the latter part of February until the 9th of March.

Our French allies were also busy in the Levant and in 1916 they occupied the island of Rouad, off the coast of Syria. By a Paris decree the 5c, 10c, and 1pia stamps of French Levant were provisionally overprinted "Ile Rouad" and issued for use there the overprinting being apparently done in Alexandria. Later, a complete set of all values was overprinted in Paris, on the regular Levantine series.

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One result of the war has been to increase the cost of postage almost all over the world. In the United States the chief effect has been to increase the postage on ordinary letters from 2c to 3c; in Great Britain the rate was raised from 1d to 1½d and the weight was also reduced; and France raised its rates from 10c to 15c. Italy increased its charges from 15c to 20c and issued a number of provisionals to represent the new rate, and while these, together with the new stamps and provisionals for Russia, Switzerland, Sweden, Norway Denmark, etc., may all be legitimately considered war issues as representing an increased postal tax, for the purposes of this article we shall only refer to those stamps which bore some distinctive overprint or inscription referring to the tax.

All the stamps in this group are found among the stamps of the British Empire, and most of them were issued in connection with the West Indian colonies. With the exception of Canada all these war tax stamps were made by overprinting. Early in 1915, Canada authorised a war tax of 1c on all letters and postcards and special stamps were issued. These were the regular 1c postage stamps of the King George series with the words "WAR TAX" in large colorless block letters between the value and the portrait. A 2c value was also issued in this type and while this was primarily intended for use on money orders, checks, etc., it was also quite frequently used for postage. In January, 1916, a stamp combining both the postage and tax was issued this being an adaptation of the current 2c value with "1 T c" below the portrait. As this stamp was in the same color as the regular 2c much confusion resulted and eventually it was changed to brown. Finally, a 3c stamp was issued as it was found that there was no special need for tax stamps proper inasmuch as no regulations insisted on their exclusive use.

The other British war stamps issued in the West Indies, Malta, St. Helena, etc., were all made by means of overprints. In some cases these were produced locally and in others the overprinting was done in London by Messrs. De La Rue and Co. Antigua, Jamaica, Fiji, St. Vincent, etc., used the words "War Stamp" in one or two lines; Barbados, British Guiana, Malta, Trinidad —in fact most of the colonies—used the words "War Tax", while British Honduras was content with the single word "War". The Cayman Is. used the words "War Stamp" with a new value, while Dominica, St. Helena and Gold Coast used the words "War Tax" with value as well.

Some of the most interesting stamps issued in connection with the war are those issued wholly or in part for the benefit of Red Cross funds. France and most of her colonies and consular offices have issued one or more stamps for this purpose, the current 10c stamps being used as a rule with an overprint consisting of a cross and "5c". In these cases the 10c represented the franking power of the stamp, while the additional 5c was a contribution to the Red Cross.

On January 1st, 1917, Bahamas issued its current 1d stamp with an overprint of a cross and date these being used voluntarily in addition to ordinary postage. In May, 1916, the chartered company of North Borneo contributed a number of its stamps specially overprinted with a red cross to the British Red Cross Society and these were sold at a substantial premium for the benefit of the fund. In 1918, another set appeared consisting of all values from 1c to $2, which were sold at face plus 2c on each stamp. The extra 2c was given to the Red Cross Society while the coffers of the company were enriched to the tune of about $2.30 on each set in the name of charity! The Straits Settlements and Trengganu both issued a few Red Cross stamps and the colony of Trinidad and Tobago issued special stamps in both 1915 and 1916.

Belgium has been a prolific manufacturer of Red Cross varieties starting with two small series of 5c, 10c and 20c, respectively, in 1914, which were sold at double face value, half the proceeds going to Red Cross funds. Another small set was issued in 1915 on the same lines and in 1918 all values of the 1918 pictorial set were overprinted with corresponding values and a cross in red the extra premium going to enrich the coffers of the Red Cross Society. In 1918, similar sets were issued for the Congo State and the occupied territory of East Africa and in both instances half the proceeds were devoted to Red Cross purposes.

Italy has been modest with its Red Cross issues being content with four varieties for itself, Eritrea, Somaliland and Libia the additional premium of 5c on each being devoted to the funds of the Red Cross Society.

In March, 1917, the provisional Venezuelist government at Salonika caused a number of the Greek stamps found there to be overprinted "K II" (an abbreviation for Greek words meaning "Provisional Government") and new values The stamps were sold at face value plus this extra charge which was devoted to the funds of the Red Cross Society.

Among neutral countries the Dutch Indies issued a small series of three stamps which produced about 10,000 florins for the Red Cross and Liberia has been active with a number of varieties which served to enrich the black republic to the extent of one dollar for every cent contributed to the Red Cross!

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Roumania issued a number of stamps with an overprint consisting of the words "Timbru de Ajutor" (literally "Assistance stamp") and the funds collected from this tax were used for the succor of refugees and to help the needy families of soldiers. The same country issued four special postage due stamps which were sold at a premium, the extra amount so realised being used for the benefit of refugees from Transylvania.

In the early days of the war Russia issued a series of four large stamps each of which were sold at a premium of 1 kopec over face value. This extra sum was for the benefit of the widows' and orphans' fund organized by the Imperial Women's Patriotic Union.

Among the neutrals, Sweden issued a series of "voluntary assistance stamps" in 1916. These consisted of various stamps overprinted either 5 ore or 10 ore. They were sold at face value plus the surcharged denomination but had franking power only to the extent of 5 ore or 10 ore. The surplus realised from their sale went to a fund for providing clothing for mobilised reservists

In addition to the above, there are a number of other war stamps which cannot be classified in either of the three main groups outlined at the beginning of this article. For instance the Indian Government caused a number of its stamps to be overprinted "I. E. F" (Indian Expeditionary Force) for the use of the troops engaged in France during the campaign of 1914-16. This force arrived in France on September 26th. 1914, and the stamps were available for the use of the soldiers soon afterwards.

One result of the campaign against the Turk was that the Emir and Sherif of Mecca (Arabia) declared his territory independent of the Ottoman Empire. The Emir became the new king of the Hedjaz and the new kingdom was formally placed under British protection. It did not take the new government long to organise its postal system and the stamps of Turkey were soon replaced by a distinctive issue which were designed and printed by the Survey of Egypt to the order of the Intelligence Office at Cairo. The stamps are handsome and characteristically Arabesque, and their issue affords an unmistakable index of the permanent character of the action of the ruler of the sacred centre of Mussulman faith.

France has always claimed certain rights in Morocco and German interference in the affairs of the country, tending to weaken French influence, nearly led to war in 1905. France has now definitely established a protectorate over that part of the Moroccan Kingdom within her sphere of influence and issued a special series of stamps denoting this fact in September, 1914.

Belgium, in spite of its manifold sufferings under the detested Hun, has always managed to hold its government and after the loss of Antwerp transferred its headquarters to Havre. Here a new series of stamps was issued in 1915 consisting of fourteen values all of which may legitimately be considered war stamps. This handsome series was engraved and printed in London by Waterlow Brothers and Layton.

Events in Greece have also resulted in the issue of special stamps. When Mr. Venizelos founded the provisional government at the time the Royalist party were flirting with Germany he caused a special series of stamps to be prepared and these were issued at Salonika (the headquarters of the new government) in December, 1916. In the same month the Royalist adherents at Salonika caused the current Greek stamps to be overprinted with a crown and the letters "E T", standing for Greek Posts, and on Mr. Venizelos reconciling the difference between the two parties the stamps continued to be used.

In November, 1915, the Council of Ministers in Russia decided to increase the issue of small silver money to meet the need for subsidiary coins. Pending this the Ministry of Finance issued stamps of corresponding denominations which were legal tender for payment up to 3 roubles to private persons and to an unlimited amount to Government offices. These stamps are the 10k, 15k and 20k values of the Romanoff set printed on thin card and printed on the back with an inscription in Russian characters meaning literally "Having circulation on a par with silver subsidiary coins". These currency stamps were also good for postage.

Last of all we come to the stamps issued by the enemy powers but as they arouse but scant interest, so far as the majority of collectors are concerned, we can dismiss them with a very brief mention.

Germany—a name for all time synonymous with all that is contemptible—has issued new values to correspond with increased postal rates and also overprinted provisionals for use in the outraged territories of Belgium, Lithuania and Courland, and Poland.

Austria—the dupe—has issued several charity labels for itself, Hungary and Bosnia, numerous stamps for military use and special stamps for use in the occupied lands of Serbia and Montenegro and Roumania.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Arrival—The new thirteen cent stamp has made its appearance and was on sale in Chicago on January 23rd, 1919; the sheets were of plates 9140, 9147 and other numbers near them. Certainly it is distinctive because of its color, which almost defies description, but "apple green," the favorite of an early cataloguer or two applies to it about as patly as any other. The thought of the collector who sees this stamp for the first time is that this pale, vague color will be replaced before long by one that is more definite.

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Abrogated—It is ironical that just as collectors are protesting against the absence of special postmarks on aeroplane mail, the first assistant postmaster general issues an order prohibiting the use of the few special markings that are now to be had. He says: "It has been brought to the attention of the department that many postmasters use ordinary rubber hand stamps and various colored inks in postmarking mail received for dispatch by aeroplane service. This practice will be discontinued immediately, and all aeroplane mail will be postmarked and the stamps thereon canceled by the use of canceling machines or the regular hand postmarking stamps, and the black canceling ink furnished by the department for such purpose." It now becomes the duty of the philatelic "ways and means" committee to show the department that its arbitrary ruling is one that deprives the philatelist of a legitimate source of satisfaction. We think the question is one that calls for action by the philatelic societies and though we are aware that the authorities frown on any deviation from the regulation procedure of the score of business safety, yet there is no overwhelming reason why the expectations of collectors cannot be recognized without danger to the exchequer.

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Arrangement—At our request, Mr. R. McP. Cabeen, Chicago, has prepared the following explanation of the scheme for air mail service. The program of development of air mail routes provides for the following air-ways: 1. New York to San Francisco with cross routes from Chicago to St. Louis and Kansas City; Chicago to St. Paul and Minneapolis; and Cleveland to Pittsburg. 2. Boston to Key West with cross routes from Philadelphia to Pittsburg; Washington to Cincinnati and Atlanta to New Orleans. 3. Key West via Habana to Panama. 4. Key West via West Indies to South America. Of these routes, the Boston to New York and New York to Washington divisions of the Boston to Key West trunk line are in operation. The New York-Chicago division of the transcontinental route has been laid out, but regular service has been postponed. It is proposed that all these routes be fully established and in operation "within two years."

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Answers—From Mr. Lowell J. Ragatz, U. S. Nitrate Plant No. 1, Sheffield, Alabama, we have received a communication that answers specifically the questions propounded in a recent issue by Mr. J. G. Walker: "(1) Portuguese colonials may be obtained at face by addressing the Director of the Mint, Lisbon, who will supply any value of any current set in any quantity and who sends a list of stamps that can be supplied upon request. (2) The postmaster at Nukualofa, Tonga, will supply stamps at face, though he handles them carelessly, cramming them into envelopes in any old way. The stamps often come stuck together and the worthy who fills orders pays no attention to requests that the stamps ordered by packed 'block by block, with the enclosed sheets of oiled paper between each piece.' (3) Ariel Houghton, a Canadian who formerly lived in Toronto, is now a resident of Suva, Fiji Islands. He is a collector who has a superb collection of used British colonials and does a great deal of exchanging. He supplies his correspondents with current issues at face, and charges dealers 5% for sending 'made up' covers through the mails for them."

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Amended — Commenting on the "storied cover" described by Mr. Steinmetz in our issue of December 21st, 1918, Mr. A. A. Kranhold, Anoka, Minn., says: "The cover shows the U. S. ten cent of 1861 and the four pence vermilion, No., 43, Great Britain, 1865, postmarked C5, 'being the British Colonial Post Office of St. Thomas, Danish West Indies.' The St. Thomas postmark is C51, not C5, as specialists can verify. I have several dozen copies of Great Britain so canceled." Mr. Kranhold is right, but the evidence is that the Steinmetz letter was canceled "C51" in company with the St. Thomas postmark, but that somehow in our or Mr. Steinmetz' description, the "1" was dropped.

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Admirable—We want to say a word of commendation for the American Philatelic Service and for those whose business acumen has made the bureau possible. First of all, the material that is offered the newspapers by this philatelic publicity bureau is so readable that it must interest the non-collecting public and unconsciously incline them to stamps and the collecting of them; and secondly, it is so accurate that the reader gains the proper prospective. The writer of the matter is one whose philatelic intelligence is marked and he has inherently the knowledge of what the general reader wants. Observing what this "service" is doing and the activities of other writers on stamp topics in the newspapers, it is apparent that the gentle propaganda of philately is covering the country.

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Ambitious—One of subscribers who has been advertising for the one cent, blue, 1851, U. S., in particular, submits the following letter that he has received, that he wishes to share with our readers: "I have some 6 or 7 of the Franklin stamps of the 1851 blue one cent stamps, but I will not send them to you because they are so heavily cancealated you might not want them. However, they have the head of Franklin and the letters United States over head and the words 1 cent at the low edge of the head of Franklin, but the back of the head of Franklin is where the ink is so heavily cancilated. Two of the stamps have the fuiger 1 at the side of the stamp a little ways up on the outside of the ovel. My price is $50.00 each stamp and I have two old stamps of Jackson, one four cents green, $75.00; one 2 cents orange, $100.00. Two 10 cents brown, 1845, Jefferson, $75.00 each. Washington, 3 cents green, 1871, 1872, $75.00 each stamp. State what you want and I will send them to you by mail."

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Advanced—The deaths of H. J. Duveen and G. R. Tuttle in New York recently removed one of the greatest collectors and one of the oldest dealers, respectively, of the day. Mr. Duveen collected on a magnificent scale and his rarities have been the theme of many an account, oral and written. By every in- New York City, where for so many years he catered to the wants of collectors, had a personal acquaintance elsewhere among collectors by reason of an occasional trip. We remember him as having attended the conventions in 1900 at Milwaukee, when he was sales superintendent of the American Philatelic Society. Mr. Tuttle was true to the best traditions of philately and his memory will long be respected.

SAW-TOOTH PERFORATIONS.

BY JAS. LEWIS HOWE.

Several letters have evidenced interest in the United States 3 cent 1857 with saw-tooth perforations, of which mention was recently made in your Chronicle of New Issues. As very few similar copies are known (one was sold on small piece of cover in the Worthington auction), it may be worth while to give a fuller description of this copy, which was found by Prof. J. R. Long among a lot of old letters.

The stamp is of Type I with the outer frame line at top and bottom. The saw-tooth perforation (percé en scie) measures exactly 10½ and its depth is about 1 millimeter. At bottom it is very sharp and clean cut, at top and left fairly so, at right rather rough. On the right the perforations touch or cut the outer line of the stamp, while at the left the edge of the next stamp is visible. At bottom the design of the stamp below is cut into. The stamp is from the upper line of the pane and the perforation at top clears the stamp by a full millimeter.

The stamp is placed sidewise at the upper right corner of the envelope and is lightly covered by about one third of the postmark, which is "Richmond Va. June 18 1857". The second figure of the date "8" is indistinct, but is confirmed by entry on the envelope, common among business men of the period, of the date of the letter and of answer. The condition of the stamp and envelope is "perfection".

Whatever may be the origin of the saw-tooth perforation, this copy is particularly interesting as having been used in the course of ordinary (legal) business correspondence, and that at almost the exact date that the regular perforations were first used on stamps of the United States.

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IN RE THE 3c VIOLET OF 1918-19.

By Louis Barrett.

In regard to the controversy about the dies for the 3 cents rotary press productions whereby my innocent little mention of a different die for that process has aroused much criticism in various quarters, I think the only way is to review the entire subject matter, leaving judgment as to the merits of the case to those better qualified to pass upon it.

First.—In Mekeel's Weekly, Nov. 2, 1918, on Pge 334, I stated, "Of the numbers missing from above list, 8269, 8270, 8275, 8276, 8281 and 8282 were three cent 170 subject curved plates for the rotary presses, *which, of course, it is well known are of a different die anyway, which has never been given a separate die name, as it was distinctive of that process.*"

(The italicized portion is that to which exception has been taken.)

Second.—In Mekeel's Weekly, Nov. 16, 1918, on Page 351, Mr. Joseph B. Leavy writes, quoting my article of Nov. 2, and italicizing the same clauses,—"The underscoring (words in italics) is my own, made to call your attention to a statement that is a gross error."

"There is no different die for the rotary press three cents plates." Then, after referring to types I and II of the flat plates states that,—"the differences between the three cents coil stamps printed from the flat plates are caused by the very slight stretching of the steel in curving the rotary press plates; the less shrinkage of paper", etc., . . . and further on in same, "The two cents denomination is the only denomination in which the die used for the rotary press curved plate is different from the die used for the ordinary flat plates."

Third.—In Mekeel's Weekly, of Dec. 7, 1918, Page 370, I stated,—"If, however, Mr. Leavy believes that *only* the two cents rotary press plates are from a different die, I should suggest that he has been misinformed on that point, as he would undoubtedly himself admit were he to give the 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c, and 5c values of the rotary press coils a careful examination".

Fourth.—In Mekeel's Weekly of Jan. 4, 1919, Page 8, Mr. Philip H. Ward, Jr., states,—"I had read in one of the papers that there were two dies of the 1c value, and before completing the chapter on the rotary coils I wanted to be able to make a positive statement. I can positively state that Mr. Barrett is absolutely wrong when he says that the 1c, 3c, 4c, and 5c rotary coil stamps are from different dies than those used for the flat plates", and further on,—"Of the 2c value only was a special die made". . . . .

Fifth.—In reply to Mr. Ward's criticism, under date of Jan. 9, 1919, I wrote to him, enclosing both unused and used copies of the two dies of the 3c rotary coils, with detailed descriptions of their differences, upholding my original claim that there *was* a different die for that process which had never been referred to. And also in the letter I said: "On my part, so far as the latter part of the statement is concerned, I must admit that there are in reality *two* dies of the 3c rotary instead of one, and must also qualify my reply to Mr. Leavy's criticism, by now stating that as far as the 1c, 4c, and 5c values are concerned, a still further examination has convinced me of the existence of but one die each for these values in the rotary process."

(It will be noted that at this stage, the criticism had been extended to all values of the rotary coils, thru my inadvertent reference to them in my reply to Mr. Leavy, whereas the original article had reference to only the 3c value, which had been the bone of original contention.)

Sixth.—In reply to my letter of Jan. 9th, Mr. Ward writes on Jan. 12, 1919, as follows, referring to the enclosures above mentioned,—"There is no question about these being from two separate dies *and neither Mr. Leavy nor myself have questioned this fact*". (As to the underlined or italicized phrase, I can only refer the reader to the earlier criticisms by these writers as given above, this being the whole point involved.)

Then resuming, he writes,—"We know there are *two dies* of the 3c rotary print, and if you will read my article in the December *Gazette* you will see that I describe them." (The reader must bear in mind relative dates; i. e., my original article appeared in the Weekly of Nov. 2, 1918, having been written over a month earlier, in fact was in the publishers' hands Oct. 10th. Up to that time, there had been no reference other than my own, to a different die for the 3c rotary press; to which statements, however, exception were taken and it was not until the December *Philatelic Gazette* was published, the latter part of the month of December, that Mr. Ward's descriptions appeared.)

Again quoting from his letter,—"I maintain, and you have produced no evidence to refute my statement, or the statement of the Bureau, *that the two dies for the rotary are the same as the two dies for the flat plate,* and that in the case of the 3c there is no 'different' die as you maintain 'which has never been given a separate name. In other words there have been but two dies for the current 3c stamp and these two dies have been used on both the flat plates and the curved rotary plate." (As to the underlined (italicized) phrase above, I had made no such claim, neither had Mr. Ward or anyone else before advanced one to that effect.) The last sentence above of Mr. Ward's, however, covers the ground completely, and is an admission that any original statement was correct rather than a denial. In fact, the intent of my original statement seems to have been lost sight of by my critics,—in a nutshell the situation is as follows,—

Nov. 2, 1918.—I referred to the existence of a new 3c rotary press die, of which but one die had been previously known.

Nov. 16, 1918.—Mr. Leavy says that this statement is a "gross error".

Dec. 7, 1918.—I attempted to show that Mr. Leavy had been misinformed.

Jan. 4, 1919.—Mr. Ward joins with Mr. Leavy in denying the existence of a different die for the 3c rotary coils.

Jan. 9, 1919.—Replying to Mr. Ward, I submitted samples of the two dies to back up my original claim of Nov. 2, 1918.

Jan. 12, 1919.—Mr. Ward writes, admitting my claim, and stating that *neither Mr. Leavy nor himself had ever denied their existence!*

Query: Now who was wrong?

But, altho the tendency of this criticism has been of the Bolchevist variety, a destructive rather than a constructive type; we have at least learned something definite from the publicity given the subject. We know first, that so far as the Rotary Coils are concerned, but *one die* each corresponding to those for the flat plates, has been made for the 1c, 4c and 5c values; secondly, that for the 2c value, there are *two dies,* the first like the corresponding flat plate die, and the second, a re-engraved die which has never been used for anything but rotary coils; and *thirdly,* that there are also *two dies* for the 3c value, corresponding to the well known Types I and II for flat plates of this value.

HARTFORD'S "COLLECTORS' CLUB."

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of the Hartford (Ct.) Collectors' Club: President, W. L. Phillips; Vice President, R. S. Williams; Secretary, Olin H. Clark; Treasurer, Eugene D. Field; Auction Manager, W. C. Phillips; Librarian, Joseph Wachstteter. Dr. John D. Newton presided and welcomed as one of the guests of the evening, J. E. Handshaw of New York. Mr. Handshaw had some very nice things in the stamp line to show, and was enjoyably reminiscent in a brief talk The attendance was the largest of the season. An invitation from the New Haven Philatelic Society to visit them on the evening of February 11, was read and accepted.

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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.
The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—We are informed by Mr. A. E. Owen as well as by a Washington correspondent that the new 13c stamp was placed on sale in the latter city on January 11th. It is in a shade of what might be called apple green, has a portrait of Benjamin Franklin similar to the other higher denominations of the current series, is upon unwatermarked paper and is perforated 11. The stamp is printed in sheets of four hundred subjects which are cut into post office sheets of one hundred.

1919 Unwatermarked, Perforated 11,
13c apple green.

This stamp was issued for the purpose of prepaying postage and registration on domestic mail but with the domestic rate returning to 2c on July 1st, it is quite likely that this value will meet the same fate as its predecessors. At the present time, however, parcel post mail creates a demand that may make it advisable to retain this stamp.

Mr. W. A. Beach sends us a block of the 50c perforated 11 on unwatermarked paper in a very odd pinkish violet which is different from any that we have seen heretofore although quite a number of used copies have passed through our hands. We are always glad to have submitted any unusual shades.

One of our correspondents wrote us several weeks back stating that he had located a copy of the 90c, issue of 1869 on the entire cover and this is certainly worthy of mention for if the cover turns out to be the genuine article it is the only copy so known. It has been submitted to a Nassau Street dealer for inspection and I understand that an offer running into three figures has been made. The envelope is addressed to a banker in France, and from what the finder tells us as to its history there seems to be no reason to doubt its authenticity. Your editor recently had the privilege of inspecting a collection of covers, one with three 24c and some odd values, one with a couple of the 30c and quite a few with several of the lower denominations of the '69 issue on each envelope so it seems most unusual that this 90c on cover has not been found before. All of the older 90c values with the exception of the 1860 imperforate are known on cover, so why is the 1869 so evasive?

Rev. John G. Wildenberg sends us an interesting clipping from the *Morris Tribune* published at Morris, Minn., a town of 2,000 population wherein we are advised that the post office of that city has on hand a supply of the new six cents aeroplane stamps. It states that if these stamps are used on mail going east that the letters will be carried from Chicago to New York via aeroplane at a saving of about twelve hours in time. The post office is without doubt doing all it can to popularize the air mail even among the smaller cities.

We wish to thank Messrs. Harmon Wendall, F. H. Webster, Benj. Cadbury and others for early information in regards to our issues.

CANAL ZONE.—Mr. Victor R. Wailly has shown us a copy of the current 2 cent stamp with the surcharge CANAL ZONE in slightly different type. He advises that this appears on the stamps in booklet form but has not seen it yet in the sheets.

CHILE.—Two high values have been locally printed on unwatermarked paper:—1 peso green and black and 2 pesos red and black.—*Metropolitan Philatelist.*

DENMARK.—Mr. W. T. Wilson shows a copy of the new permanent type of the 27 ore. It is Scott's type A16 and the stamp is printed in two colors. The head in the middle being in black with the border in red. At the same time copies of the 27 on 680 and 27 on 10kr are sent for inspection. The type is the same as the previous provisionals.

DOMINICA.—According to the *Colonial Journal,* two additional "War Tax" stamps are to be used in the island. The overprint in red:—1½ pence orange and 3 pence violet on yellow.—*Metropolitan Philatelist.*

EGYPT.—Two of the current stamps have been overprinted with new values:—2 piastres on 3m orange and 5 piastres on 4m red.—*Metropolitan Philatelist.*

FALKLAND ISLANDS.—Mr. Frank P. Brown has shown us the War Stamps of this colony chronicled last week.

FINLAND.—Mr. Eugene Klein has shown us additional values to those reported in our issue No. 1443. They are as follows:—Helsingfors issue, 5p, 10p, 25p, 40p, 50p, 1m, 5m, 10m; Wasa issue, 1m. The colors are as described in Scott's catalog.

NEWFOUNDLAND.—Mr. M. P. Hynes sends us an original cover with the following printing, POSTAGE PAID—G. P. O.—ST. JOHN'S NEWF'L'D. in three lines. Mr. Hynes advises that on December 4th the sale of 1, 2, and 3 cent stamps was stopped as the supply of these denominations was very low and it was feared that the new issue would not arrive in time. Letters and the necessary cash for postage were taken at the window and the inscription as above applied by a rubber stamp. The arrival of the Caribou series on the 31st inst. relieved the situation.

SWEDEN.—Mr. W. T. Wilson has shown us the following provisionals of this country recently issued:—27 on 55 pale blue, 27 on 65 light olive green, and 27 on 80 grey. The surcharge is of the same style as those of 1918. Scott's No. 98 and 99. Mr. Wilson also includes copies of the new 7 and 12 ore Official stamps just out. The color of the former is grey and the latter red. The type is Scott's O3.

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—The annual meeting of the Rhode Island Philatelic Society will take place Tuesday, February 18, at Turks Head Club, Turks Head Bldg., Providence. A business meeting at 6 P. M., supper at 6.30 and social meeting with exhibition of two specialized collections of 1847 U. S. is on the program.

—The following parties do not answer letters sent by the Aylmer Stamp Co.:—J. H. Pairut, Ormstown, Kans.; Walter Schardt, Wilkinsburg, Pa.; J. W. Hagen, Racine, Wis., and M. Brody, 226 Lafayette St., N. Y. City. Material for Mr. Dworak.

—Percy McG. Mann will occasionally contribute to the WEEKLY articles dealing with U. S. stamps and their varieties. Mr. Mann is so good a student of these stamps that our readers will welcome a series of articles from his pen.

—The Marks Stamp Co. has begun the publication of a *Monthly Circular* and No. 1 is before us. A large number of stamps are offered in compact space and this house organ will no doubt be a valuable means of communication between the firm and its clients.

—We have received from Wm. T. Kimball a drawing showing a military cancellation that has not been chronicled. It bears the circular inscription "U. S. Military Express Service" and in the center in two lines is "C. P. O. 11 Nov. 1918". C. P. O. may no doubt be translated into Central Post Office. Mr. Kimball reports the cancellation both in purple and red. We have received from the same party copy of a P. O. Department order dealing with air mail postmarks. Where postmasters in the past have used ordinary rubber hand stamps and various colored inks, this practise is ordered discontinued and all airmail will be postmarked and stamped by the use of cancelling machines or the regular hand postmarking stamps. Only black ink can be used.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from J. C. Jay.

—S. H. Mason of Spokane, Wash., has had unsatisfactory experiences with the Payn Stamp Co. of Los Angeles, Cal. Mr. Mason reported this firm to the U. S. Postal Inspector at San Francisco and finally received a mess of trash in the form of mixed stamps worth probably 10% of what they charged him for them.

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Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

PHANTOMS AND OTHERS.

BY PERCY MCGRAW MANN.

Most collectors of U. S. current stamps are now quite familiar with the so-called "phantom" plate numbers. As far as most collectors go the "phantoms" will not interest them because it is only the plate numbers that are faintly duplicated along the "top" and "bottom" margins of the sheet and the stamps are not duplicated at all. The specialist will, however, obtain a block or strip showing this printing oddity and cherish it among his treasures which show how the U. S. produced stamps under difficulties unforeseen a few years ago. The main difficulty being to cope with the demand made by the public for postage stamps 30,000,000 per diem being an estimate of the current production.

The first thing the collector asks, when any oddity or other unusual stamp item occurs, is: "How did it happen?" Mr. Ward accounted for the "phantoms", based, probably, upon information from the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, by stating they happened in the same way as the "double prints", that is, the roller shifted during a stop press.

I was not convinced by this explanation and endeavored to figure the matter out for myself and have come to the following conclusion: A wheel "guide" guides the sheet as it comes out from under the "rubber" roller and revolving, this wheel takes up the ink from the plate numbers or (and) arrow and as it guides the next sheet, an imprint is made by it, and continuous revolutions of the wheel imprint a continuous string of numbers (each number separated by a distance equal to the circumference of the wheel).

It was my recent good fortune to secure a few 1c current issue U. S. stamps from plate No. 8399 showing the impression double. Mr. Ward mentioned these stamps in the Chronicle and stated they were "similar" to some 2c stamps which he had. The word quoted is satisfactory enough for most purposes, as they are "similar" and that is all. These double impression 1c stamps were not produced in the manner stated by Mr. Ward. They are, of course, printed from flat steel plates. The sheet probably did shift, but, nevertheless, the double impression was caused by two distinct pressures on the plate. Mr. Ward also stated that they were caused in part by a greatly over inked plate. I cannot agree to this remark, because Mr. Ward did not also state that some of these stamps I had were from different sheets and that the latter were not "over inked". Part of one sheet that was overinked showed the double print stronger for the very reason that the plate *was* overinked, but an entire sheet and parts of three other sheets did not display any overinking. It is but natural to assume that an overinked plate printing double would show two heavier impressions than two impressions from a plate regularly inked.

The two impressions are clear in delineation, but being hardly separated by more than the distance of the width of the outer frame line of any one stamp, the whole effect is one of "blurring"—or a shifting of the plate from one position to another. I do not think the paper slipped in the press, because I had one entire sheet and parts of four other sheets (160 stamps in all) all from the same position of the same plate, No. 8399, the lower right corner pane—or from the extreme outer corner of the plate as it passes around the press. If it were a case of the paper slipping, it would not be only the paper on the one plate, the same thing would without doubt occur as each of the other three plates were printed, four plates being in press at one time, as is well known. But the other three plates (printed sheets) from the same lot did not disclose any doubles when examined.

At first I was inclined to believe that this plate "jumped" at a particular time, either from some defect or when first starting up the press. In a measure I still believe the same. The double impressions showed strongly or strongest toward the lower right corner of the sheet. It is probable the pressure roller, which presses the paper against the plate, performed its function in a regular manner, but in some way caused the corner of the sheet, after it had one impression to shift and take another impression before the pressure of the roller was released, and that this was caused by some slight defect in the plate resting on its base, or in the moving press when this particular plate came around to position for printing, effecting the "jump" referred to above. However, it was not caused by pulling, because pulling would smear the ink and not give two distinct impressions.

BULGARIA DURING THE WAR.

Bulgaria as a producer of War stamps has ranked fourth among the Central Powers, and for many months there was confusion regarding many of these labels. The existence of reported sets was seriously questioned for a time by many philatelic authorities here.

In 1911 Bulgaria issued a series bearing portraits of Ferdinand and views of some of the country's noted places. The plates were engraved in London and the printing was done in Rome. After Bulgaria entered the war these plates were supposed still to be in Italy. When Bulgaria's supplies of the Rome-printed stamps became exhausted, it became

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To the Editor:

Referring to the letter of Mr. Coning in No. 1460 it might be said, that if German stamps give offense to a collector, he is certainly at liberty to sell or destroy them. However, to judge from the advance in price of old German stamps according to the last edition of the Catalogue, it is doubtful, whether a large number of collectors have an animosity against German stamps. Being of German birth—though now a good American citizen—I may not be considered as competent to discuss the sentimental side of the question.

But suppose, a greater number of collectors could be induced to eliminate German stamps from their collections, what would be the effect? A large number of German stamps would come into the market and could be sold only at a price which would in most cases mean a loss to the seller. The collector of German stamps probably would welcome such a bear market, as it would enable him to obtain some of the rarer specimens which are almost out of his reach at the present quotations. With Germany thoroughly democratized and having atoned for her sins, the bitter feeling towards her will disappear, and the stamps would regain in favor, which would enable the former buyers to sell their stamps with a profit. In other words, the 100% American would lose money and the pro-German would reap the benefit.

Yours very truly,
RUDOLF STOESS.

DENVER, COLO.

To The Editor:

It is rather surprising that no one has yet ventured an opposite opinion in regard to the proposed boycotting of the stamps of Germany and her allies. Refraining from the purchase of current unused stamps of these countries during the war was one thing; refusing to handle their postal emissions after war ceases is something else. The former may be defined as "furnishing aid and comfort to the enemy," the latter certainly cannot. The vigilance of the Government prevented, however, any real danger of the former becoming a serious matter, and there is no necessity of making a moral issue out of the latter and dealers and collectors banding themselves together to boycott all current and future issues of these countries. The idea is ridiculous, and I feel I reflect the true feeling of at least half the philatelic public when I say it. The idea is set up as reflecting a phase of true Americanism, and I presume it is for fear of appearing in a bad light that no one has thought to contravert it, but the philatelic public is an intelligent one, and I am sure will concede the justice of my contention. I sympathize in no way with the character and aims of the later German Empire, nor with the atrocities committed by her and her allies; my Americanism has never been questioned, and personally I collect only the stamps of the United States and Canada; but I speak for those who may wish to collect the stamps past, present or future of these enemy countries without their loyalty to American principles being assailed.

Did any one suggest because of the many atrocities committed in Cuba previous to 1898 which were of enough movement to bring our Country to Cuba's aid that the postage stamps of Spain be boycotted; was it ever suggested that the stamps of Belgium be tabooed because of the atrocities in the Congo; were we ever forbidden to handle the postage stamps of the Confederate States of America because of the moral issue involved in her defense of slavery; did anyone argue that the stamps of Russia were moral poison because of her suppression of the liberties of the Poles and Finns and massacre of the Jews? I say not, yet where as a principle does the case of Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and Turkey differ?

As I see it, the only moral issue involved is that establishing the stamps themselves as legitimate issues called into use by a "de facto" government and supplying real postal requirements of their people, whether such government be black or white, heathen or Christian, barbaric or humane. Only on this basis can a representative collection of the postage stamps of the world be built up.

The idea of dealers ignoring the stamps of certain countries to the extent of omitting them from their catalogues for such reasons is ridiculous. They will not do it, nor should they be expected to.

The world is too big; philately is too big to have any such restrictions placed upon it. The choice of any individual to collect or to refrain from collecting the stamps of any country or any group of countries cannot be questioned, and the attempt of any one to encroach on this liberty on alleged patriotic or moral grounds I, for one, would consider bordering on tyranny.

Does anyone presume that there will not be a new Germany, a Germany chastened by fire and blood? Can we not hope for a regenerated Russia after this awful scourge is finally past? What about peace and good will on Earth and a world regenerated?

Fraternally,
FRANK L. APPLEGATE.

ASTORIA, OREGON.

To the Editor:

Read what the "Intensifier" who writes for the *Amateur Photographer Weekly* has to say of our hobby in this week's issue:

"I think of a friend of mine who for the better part of a year has been overseas as first lieutenant in one of the ammunition trains, a level-headed young man now in his thirties, and I recall the surprise and amusement with which I learned a couple of years ago that he was violently addicted to the collection of postage stamps! Postage stamps forsooth! Now isn't that a nerve-racking, muscle-binding occupation for a great big healthy man. And yet I also know of a judge, quite a prominent man in his part of the country, who was similarly afflicted. I know about it because I read in his obituary that he was president or something of the Philatelic Association of America (I think that is the name), and had been a frequent attendant at its annual conventions.

Put that up to your wife when she complains about your photographic madness. Just show her how much worse it might easily be with you. Ask her how she would like to have it said of you after you decease that you were one of the leading philatelists of the country."

How's that for rubbing it in, eh! He evidently never had the pleasure to own a stamp collection.

Yours very truly,
JOHN JONES.

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necessary for the postal authorities to issue franking labels locally. Apparently it then transpired that the plates thought to be in Italy had been transferred to Sofia, as the new set which Bulgaria put forth in 1915 and 1916 is characterized as "re-engraved" in Scott's 1919 Catalogue. These labels, six in number, vary in colours as compared with the 1911 series, and there are several slight changes in the designs of two of them. They must be classed among the stamps of the world war, as but for the war they would not have been issued in the re-engraved condition. The chronicle of them is as follows:

1 stotinki, dark blue-green.
5s green and violet-brown.
10s brown-red and brownish black.
15s olive-green.
25s indigo and black.
30s olive-green and red-brown.

In 1916 and 1917 Bulgaria put forth labels significant of the occupation of Rumanian territory, and as the Bulgarian troops have now withdrawn from Rumania, these stamps are no longer current and collectors are seeking them eagerly. Upon the 1, 5, 10 and 25s of the re-engraved series of 1915-1916 the Bulgarians placed an overprint, or surcharge, reading, in Bulgarian, "Correo Bulgaro en Rumania, 1916-1917," the words reading upward along the left border and the dates reading upward along the right border. The translation is: "Bulgarian Posts in Rumania."

In 1917 Bulgaria put forth a series in new designs, bearing portraits of King Ferdinand in military undress uniform and other representations of war. At least three of these values have appeared—5, 30 and 50s—and probably others.

Thus the known War stamps of Bulgaria number thirteen, with others possibly issued. With the abdication and flight of King Ferdinand, the 1917 set probably will be replaced soon by stamps of a more peaceful character, and showing a portrait of the new monarch, King Boris III. These also will be placed in War stamp collections, as it was because of the war that Ferdinand left his throne.— *Stamp Collecting.*

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ALBANIA.
ITS HISTORY AS PORTRAYED BY ITS STAMPS.

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In 1912 the nations of Greece, Montenegro and Bulgaria, in alliance, declared war on Turkey. The cause was their desire to reclaim the lands peopled by their compatriots from the Turks' misrule. The war was quite successful, and, in 1913, the Treaty of London restored peace after a fashion. By this treaty, which was inspired by the great European powers, each of the victors was disappointed; Serbia failed to gain access to the sea; Greece failed to obtain parts of Macedonia she desired, these going to Serbia, and Bulgaria; Montenegro failed to get Skutari, Albania; and Bulgaria was so disappointed that she almost spoiled the whole affair by making war on her allies, only being properly defeated by the aid of Roumania. The last, but not the least important part of the Treaty of London created the new nation, Albania, which included Epirus, a Greek objective.

The *National Geographic Magazine* tells us that the Albanians are among the oldest races of southeastern Europe, if not the oldest, being in their present mountains at the dawn of European history. They are sturdy mountaineers and a real nation, so that their re-creation as an autonomous nation was right ethnologically.

The Albanians adopted, in 1913, their old flag, the double-headed black eagle on the red field and it soon flew over all the country from Skutari on the north, almost to Janina on the south. The powers assigned them as king, one Prince William, of Wied, and the stage was set for the inevitable stamp issues.

The first stamps, issued in June 1913, were surcharges consisting of the black eagle handstamped on Turkish stamps. These were soon followed by handstamping plain paper with one of two handstamps—each of which bore the inscription "Postat e Qeverries se Perkohëshme te Shqiponies", meaning, "Postage of the Government of the newborn Nation of Albania". Later, in the fall of 1913, came the regular issue which bore the head of Geo. Kastriotis—surnamed "Skanderbeg" by the Turks—who lived from 1404 to 1467 and was king of the Albanians at that time. The inscription "Sqipenia é Lire" means "Free Albania".

These stamps, both without and with the later surcharged change of value, continued in use by the Albanian government till it ceased to exist because of the present war.

For a day, so it is claimed, in 1914, the post office of Korytza being out of stamps, used some large stamps inscribed, "Commision de controie provisoire Korca." These were prepared by means of a handstamp in various values and various errors resulted, all to the glory of some of the natives of the place.

In the fall of 1914, Greek agitators succeeded in causing trouble in southern Albania, which is called in Greek, "Northern Epirus". This part of Albania is peopled for the most part by Albanians but it also has many Greeks living within its borders. The excuse for wishing to be annexed to Greece, was that the Greek government was firmly established and orderly, while the new Albanian government, was, to say the least, chaotic. Of course the government of Greece looked with favor upon the aspirations of Epirus but, being bound by the Treaty of London, she could not start anything. So the Epirotes took matters in their own hands and seceded from Albania, calling themselves "Autonomous Epirus". The northern boundary of Epirus is from a point on the coast about half way from Valona on the north to the Greek border on the south, thence northeast towards Lake Malik, including the cities, Tepelini, Klisura, Radovitchka, Korytza, and Argyrocastron.

The first stamps issued were crude handstamped affairs with the skull and cross bones prominently displayed. They are inscribed "Autonomous Greek Epirus—Liberty or Death—Do good for your native land". They were soon followed by a regular issue showing an infantry-man defending his home. This issue was used concurrently with separate issues which soon appeared for Argyrocastron, Korytza and other places. Those of Korytza and Argyrocastron show the Albanian eagle on a back-

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Perhaps the most interesting issues, from the standpoint of Albanian history are those of the present war. The Salonica expedition of the Allies and the landing of the Italians on the Adriatic coast brought new changes to southern Albania.

The Italians succeeded in winning from the Huns all that part of Albania west of the river Osum and the French the remainder. The Italians instituted modern methods of government, building good roads and opening up schools, but issued no special stamps. On the letters from the Italian area of occupation the only thing making these stamps Albanian is the post-mark, consisting of a circle inscribed "R.R.Poste Italiane" and the name of the town. These stamps on cover rank in desirability and collectibility with the American stamps used in Vera Cruz in 1914.

The French area of occupation centered about Korytza as the Italian centered about Valona and Durazzo. Here, true to Napoleonic customs, the French tried their ability at making a republic, "The Republic of Korce", as the Albanians rendered it. It seems to have been short lived as were the Napoleonic ventures, and although only instituted in 1917, by the early spring of 1918 it had vanished, according to the *National Geographic*. It continues: "The Republic seems to have died a natural death. It probably had no support from the people and was merely a forced attempt of the foreigner, upon whom the Albanians always look askance . . . At all events, Korytza and the surrounding country today remain under French control".

These facts about the Republic of Korce are very well illustrated in original covers from there. There were three issues of type set stamps. The first were inscribed "Shqiperie Korca Vetqeveritare" meaning "Independent Korca, Albania". The next was inscribed "REPUBLICA KORCE SHQIPETARE" meaning "Republic of Korce, Albania", and the last was inscribed "Qarku Postes I Korces", modestly proclaiming the "Local district post of Korce". These are all cancelled with a dauber reading "KORYTZA, ALBANIE". I have covers bearing all three of the issues, postmarked as late as March and April, 1918, and which bore letters from Korytza to people living in Philadelphia. The envelopes are sealed by censor labels reading "Poste Albanaise-Censure" and over the flap of the envelope is struck a handstamp which is circular and inscribed around its border "Service de Surete-Poste de Korytza" and within "Armee d'Oriente-Censure Postal". This shows the French origin of the government most faithfully. These type set stamps have now been superseded by regular French stamps of the current issue. They are cancelled by a dauber inscribed "Tresor et Postes" and the date. On the back of the covers are the same censor labels and same dauber as before. These French stamps are analogous as occupation stamps to those of Italy, mentioned above, but as the French area is smaller than the Italian, the French covers should be the rarer.

ADDENDA.

As to Hun occupation stamps used in Albania, nothing is known beyond the mere fact that some were so used.

Italy, prior to the Balkan wars, had post offices in Albania under the Turkish Capitulations and issued separate stamps for Albania as a whole, for Durrazzo and for Skutari and for Valona. These are issues of Italy and not of Albania in the strict sense of the term.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—We have two items of news from Mr. Roessler. An airplane service was in operation Jan. 30 between Miami, Fla., and Nassau, Bahamas. It is believed that letters were carried. His other item states that the club controlling the sale of the Canada airplane stamps jumped the price 10c on Jan. 1.

—We cannot take the space to mention the various catalogs which come to this office, but occasionally one demands attention. This is the case with the coin catalog issued by B. Max Mehl advertising the sale of the Crichton collection of United States, foreign, ancient Greek and Roman coins and medals. Not only is the book exceedingly well printed and illustrated, but the description of the various lots (totalling 1519) is a liberal education in coin information. We feel compelled to say that any collector either of stamps or coins will be fortunate in having this book for reference purposes.

—A letter just at hand from Base Hospital No. 6 A. E. F. France carries with it an interesting bit of news which we reproduce in full:—"Please change my mailing address from Major Warren L. Babcock, U. S. Base Hospital No. 6, A. E. F., France, to Col. Warren L. Babcock, 81 Willis St., Detroit, Mich." The many friends of Col. Babcock will learn with interest of his safe arrival at his home in Detroit.

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—We are informed by S. L. Israel of Havana, Cuba, that the current 2c Cuba (Scott's 266) is appearing in the color of the 8c (No. 269). It is a chemical changeling and this warning should be heeded.

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TWO LETTERS.

By PERCY MCGRAW MANN.

Not so many moons ago a query as to "supplementary mails" appeared in the WEEKLY. While the query was answered, the answer did not seem to impress into one's memory deeply enough and clear matters. I feel, therefore, that the following letter from Joseph Stewart, Second Assistant Postmaster General, dated January 14, 1911, will be of interest.

"Sir: In reply to your letter of the 28th ultimo, addressed to the Third Assistant Postmaster General, enclosing a newspaper clipping relative to the mailing at the pier in New York of the Cunard Line of letters at an extra rate of postage for despatch by the Steamer 'Mauretania' which sailed on the 17th of December I have to inform you that the letters referred to were included in what are called supplementary mails, that is, mails composed of articles posted after the time of closing the mails at the post office. Such letters are subject to a postage charge of double the usual rate and are prepaid by postage stamps affixed in the usual manner."

At some time or other a few South American countries issued "Too Late" stamps for the very purpose referred to in the letter above. The prepayment of the charge for supplementary posting.

I have two reasons for quoting the following letter, from James L. Wilmeth, Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, dated December 13, 1918.

Firstly: Mr. Ward misquoted the letter in a recent number of the WEEKLY—unknowingly, most likely, and without any harmful effects.

Secondly: Because the numbers G214, 124, 214, etc., *are not* "scratched" on the plates of the 3c offset printed stamps as is generally thought and as described in the Jan. 1st edition of *The American Philatelist* in a special article on these stamps. I had the pleasure of informing one of the compilers of the mentioned article, Mr. Owen, of the error of the statement.

Mr. Wilmeth's letter is as follows:

"Sir: Referring to your letter of the 15th ultimo in which you request to be advised whether the white parts of the design of the 3c stamp enclosed by you are in recess on the zinc plates, or whether the parts that receive the color are in recess on these plates.

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EDITORIAL.

Regular—Mr. Burt B. Hyde, Afton, New York, addresses us: "In your editorial of January 11th, 1919, Mr. Ragatz speaks of the revenue stamps being missing from the package to Siberia. My experience is as follows. My son left December 11, 1917, and I sent him about every week from that time on, a package of six or seven pounds, paying the parcel post rate and the revenue charge, until into January, 1918, when the postmaster informed me that packages to the A. E. F. did not have to pay any revenue; after that, I did not put on revenues. Later, the sending of packages to the A. E. F. was practically prohibited." Mr. Hyde's son is now at the U. S. General Hospital No. 3, Rahway, N. J., from the effects of a high explosive shell that burst about 15 feet from him, eight miles north of Verdun, last October. A fragment broke the bone of his right arm above the elbow but he has about recovered the use of his arm.

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Range—From Mr. B. F. Enelow, Chicago, we have received a one cent blue on buff, U. S., 1857-61 stamped envelope with the printed inscription in two lines. "To any one who can give information about the Newcomb family." Below, room was left for the post office address. Evidently, some genealogist was pursuing his search for family data at considerable postage expense; and we trust that his enterprise was duly rewarded.

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Reasonable—Several covers have been received from Mr. W. J. Stanton, Coronado, California, that merit an observation or two. Two folded notices telling of the impending maturity of notes given by the addressees bear the Chicago postmark and the additional "paid" impression, one in black and one in red, respectively. Further, each cover is stamped at the left in postmark form, "Geo. Smith & Co.—Paid—Chicago." There is no date of year to be found but the indications are that the sheets and markings are of the 1850 period, approximately. It is almost certain, that the banker's "paid" marking was applied in the office of the institution, merely to record the fact that the postage was paid and was wholly independent of the post office marks. Geo. Smith, it may be added, became one of the most famous financiers of the times, in Chicago.

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Retrospect — Writes Mr. Bernard Prieth, Newark, New Jersey: "Your editorials about the late Mr. Scott remind me of an incident that may interest your readers. About four years ago I called on him at his store in John Street, New York, to look over his stock of Two Sicilies. While I was looking at them, he said to me, 'It was not so long ago, Mr. Prieth, that I was selling these stamps for twenty-five cents a set. I had large numbers of sheets of each denomination.' When asked how long ago that might have been, he said that it was in the early eighties. What a harvest one might have reaped by buying a sheet or two of each variety, at these prices. They were common then and scarce today. Thus, likewise, many a stamp which can be had for next to nothing at the present time will command a large price some time within the next twenty-five years. This it is that makes philately interesting."

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Received—From a friend on duty abroad we have received a letter from which we take a few sentences: "The new catalogue finally reached me and I am looking it over. Such advances as I have noticed in the early unused of the countries in which I am interested certainly are justified. Here in Brussells, I miss J. B. Moens, the best of them all, with whom I got well acquainted through having made translations for his *Timbre-Poste* from the American stamp papers of the times. You will remember of my having told you of my explanation of the significance of an account by Col. J. M. T. Partello of a visit to Moens' *atelier* that the Colonel contributed to a paper in the U. S. and the spirit of which M. Moens did not catch. This was around 1885. What I wanted to say was that it was due to the faith and enterprise of Mr. Moens that quantities of the unused of the early issues of the world were available in later years. His importations when philately was a puny thing were in such volume that they changed somewhat the conditions of collecting. Through his acumen, collectors in later years were able to obtain mint copies of the first stamps, speaking broadly, but I surmise that after Mr. Moens' death a good many years ago, his holdings were scattered and I think that his supply of the stamps under discussion has been practically absorbed; and the result must be a strengthening of the price of these stamps which in fact we are fortunate in having in any considerable number."

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Revived—Some time ago we printed a portion of a letter that a reader had sent us that came to him from a friend in Tibet. At the time we expressed some surprise that he said nothing about the envelope that contained the narrative. It developed that our correspondent had supposed that he had sent the cover with the letter, but we know that it was not in his letter to us. Even so, he cannot find the envelope which to all intents and purposes seems to be lost, but which he remembers as having been without stamps but with a number of "quaint marks". One reason for these prefatory remarks is to ask readers not to send us for inspection any items to which they attach a monetary value without taking precaution to secure their safe handling. Our friend speaks: "The Tibetan mystery is still unsolved and I have seen no letter direct from the Roof of the World since. The envelope may still turn up. From our missionary paper I learn that a treaty between the Chinese and Tibetans is likely to be ratified and as it is, one or more medical officers have been allowed to succor the wounded, both Chinese and Tibetans, at Chamdo. The attitude of the Tibetans has altered greatly in the last ten years and the Tibetan soldiers march to Scottish bag-pipes. It is likely that Lhassa, the Forbidden City, will in short time become a general port of entry."

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Recovery—For a good many months our foreign exchanges have come haltingly and in some instances not at all. However, it is noticed that the stamp papers from the continent are showing signs of life and while we have had a few notices of suspension of papers, it is likely that their places will be filled in due time. We congratulate those of our confreres who are still faithful to their charges and we trust that their loyalty will be well rewarded.

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Reported—We have been informed that L. J. Flerlage, Norwood, Ohio; Harry E. Klotzbach, Buffalo, N. Y.; Chas. S. Thompson, Los Angeles, Cal., and others have organized a new society for stamp collectors, to be known as the International Philatelic Association, and that it will soon be in working order. The society for collectors of philatelic literature which was proposed tentatively a good many months ago is again in embryo in the minds of some of the ardent collectors of stamp lore who favored an organization of the kind "after the war".

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RE-ISSUE.—The resumption of the issue of a stamp or stamps that has gone out of use. The term is usually applied to fresh printings of such stamps, which can be distinguished in some way from those of the original issue. In other words, they are re-impressions intended for or admitted to regular issue and use.

REJISTRO.—This word appears on some of the registration stamps issued in the Republic of Colombia and means, of course, "registered."

REMAINDERS.—These are stocks of stamps left on hand after a particular value or set had gone out of use. These have in many cases been sold to dealers, either unused or cancelled in some way or other, with the result that large quantities of some stamps have occasionally come on the market and temporarily unsettled values. Many collectors confuse them with reprints but they are of course nothing of the sort. They are perfectly genuine in every respect and do not differ from the stamps which were put into circulation in any way whatsoever. They are simply stamps remaining over after new ones had been issued or stamps not required for some other reason.

REP (OR REPP) PAPER.—This is wove paper which has been passed between ridged rollers so that it becomes, to use a somewhat exaggerated description, corrugated. The small elevation or ridge on one side of the paper coincides with a depression or furrow on the other side, the thickness of the paper being the same throughout.

REPRINTS.—Impressions from the original plates, blocks, or stones from which stamps were printed, taken after the issue of the stamps to post offices had ceased; impressions, that is, printed not for use as stamps, but as specimens or curiosities, for sale to collectors or otherwise.

REPUB. FRANC.—An abbreviation for "Republique Francaise" shown upon many of the early stamps of France.

REPUBLICA.—This word forms part of the inscription on most of the stamps of Colombia, Argentine, Salvador, Paraguay, etc., and, of course, simply means "Republic".

II. This word is found overprinted on many of the stamps of Portugal and Colonies issued in 1913-14 to show the change of government from a monarchy to a republic.

REPUBLICA MAYOR DE CENTRO-AMERICA.—An inscription shown on certain stamps of Nicaragua and Salvador issued in 1897-8 in commemoration of the federation of the three republics of Honduras, Nicaragua, and Salvador, a federation which was very short lived. Translated it reads "Greater Republic of Central America."

REPUBLICA ORIENTAL.—The two first words of "Republica Oriental del Uruguay" whch form the only inscription shown on the 1864 stamps for that republic.

REPUBLIC OF CHINA.—The inscription shown on all the stamps of China issued since 1912.

REPUBLIQUE FRANCAISE.—The French rendering of "French Republic" as shown upon all the stamps of that country issued since 1876.

REPUBLIQUE D'HAITI.—The inscription shown upon all the stamps of Hayti with the exception of the 1887 issue.

RESELLADA.—A Spanish word meaning literally "recoined", found on certain stamps of Venezuela and Ecuador. The word was overprinted on the stamps of the 1899 set of Venezuela to make the ordinary labels—a large quantity of which had been stolen by a postal employee—of no value for postal purposes. The stamps of the 1901 issue of Ecuador used in the province of Bolivar bear the same overprint and this was applied for a similar reason—to demonetize the unsurcharged stamps, a large number of which it was feared had been stolen from the office at Guayaquil during the course of a disastrous fire.

RESETTING.—Implies the re-arrangement of the separate pieces of which a design is composed, or of the separate cliches of which a plate is made up.

RESOLUCION DE 10 DE OCTUBRE DE 1892.—This inscription is shown on the surcharge applied to certain stamps of Venezuela in 1892 to create provisional 25c and 1 bol. stamps. It evidently refers to the date of the "Resolution" authorizing these temporary labels.

RETARDO.—The inscription shown on the Too late stamps of Antioquia meaning, literally, "delay".

RETOUCHING.—A philatelic term often used as though it were synonymous with re-engraving. The two terms should really convey two distinct ideas, retouching referring to minor alterations made to a die, plate or stone. In other words it refers to local or general "touching up" and not to a careful re-engraving of an entire die or plate.

RETOURBRIEFE.—This word forms part of the inscription on the so-called "return letter" stamps of Bavaria which were formerly catalogued and are now frequently found in collections. These labels were merely used to re-seal letters which, after being opened in the postal department, were returned to the senders owing to the fact that they were undeliverable for some reason or other.

RETURN LETTER STAMPS.—The return letter stamps of Norway, which are still listed in some catalogues, seem to be of little if any more philatelic interest than those of Bavaria referred to above. They are merely labels which were affixed to letters it was found impossible to deliver and which were therefore returned to the senders. They bear no indication of postage paid or to be paid and were used solely for the convenience of postal officials.

RETYMNO.—This name appears on one of the 1 metallik stamps issued in the Russian Sphere of Administration (Rethymo and district) during 1899.

REUNION.—A French island in the Indian Ocean 115 miles south-west of Mauritius. It has an area of 970 square miles and a population of 175,000. Postage stamps were first issued in 1852.

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5. The color worn by royalty? Purple.
6. What are always found in a book? Leaves.
7. What we like to get from absent friends? Letters.
8. What sometimes bothers married people? Ties.
9. A Belgian rodent? Hair (Hare).
10. Something which holds up a fence? Post.
11. A favorite beverage? "T" (Tea)
12. What a Chinaman has? Queue.
13. What a farmer says to his horse? "G" (Gee).
14. What Washington rode in? Stage.
15. A desirable characteristic? The power to stick.
16. The capital of the United States? Washington.
17. The most popular words in the English language? "I" (Eye); "Us" (U. S.).
18. A sign of old age? Wrinkles.
19. The food of certain birds in winter? Berries.
20. A Shrub? Laurel.
21. An exclamation of surprise? "O"!
22. Something which will never meet? Parallel lines.
23. The edge of a hill? The brow.
24. Two negatives? Nos. (Nose).
25. A thick sticky fluid? Mucilage.
26. Why doesn't the Government make a seven-edged stamp? Because they perforate (prefer eight).
27. Why could Washington be classed with the herbs? Because he was a sage.
28. Why do the English think Washington had "class"? Because 'e's a' 'ighbrow (highbrow).
29. Why does this picture suggest John the Baptist? Because it's decapitated.
30. Some spring flowers imported from Holland? Tulips (two lips).
31. Older than age itself? Post Age (postage).
32. The window of the soul? The eye.
33. What is the difference between Washington and Wilson? One was the first President and the other is the last.
34. What is good for only one trip? A stamp.
35. Why is getting a letter through from "over there" like buying a stamp? You must pass the censor (cents, sir).

—*Ladies' Home Journal.*

CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—In our Chronicle of last week we mentioned that the new 13c stamp which we had described some time back had been placed on sale in Washington. We now learn that four plates were made to print this denomination, the plates bearing numbers 9147, 9148, 9149 and 9150.

In a recent philatelic article, the author spoke of the 3c booklet pane being printed by the offset process. To correct an erroneous statement we would advise that the plates from which the booklet panes are printed are of the flat type and that curved plates for the offset printing have never been made. In order to answer numerous inquiries we would advise that to date only the 3c Type III and IV and the 1c, in perforated sheets of one hundred and the 3c Type IV in imperforated sheets of four hundred have appeared from the surface or offset printing. Neither booklets, coils nor other denominations of postage stamps have been printed by this method, notwithstanding the fact that some of these have been offered by dealers.

Our correspondence during the last week contained no less than three letters telling of supposed errors in color that had been located. While we covered in detail these chemical changlings a year or more back, they are again becoming so plentiful that it may be well to make passing mention of the subject. One collector had located in Pennsylvania a 3c in the color of the 2c, one in Georgia a 6c in the brown of the 4c and another from far away Minnesota a 1c Documentary, issue of 1898, in green. None of the above were submitted for inspection, but we have seen copies of the 3c changling in the color of the 2c passed around by a New York dealer as curiosities. We also had the pleasure of inspecting two single used copies of the same stamp submitted to one of the Philadelphia dealers by a client. We doubt very much the existence of any errors of color outside of the famous 5c and before chronicling any of them we would have to see an undoubted specimen.

In our issue of January 11th we described one of the 7c on 2c Playing Cards with inverted surcharge. Mr. Allen S. Davenport now kindly informs us that he has the same type normal as well as double inverted, each bearing date of 1-25-18. He also has Scott's No. 5630 reading down in black; reading up in violet as well as those similarly surcharged with "A.D." instead of "U.S.P.C.Co." in red, both reading up and down. The latter come in at least two very distinct shades of red. To date we know of the following and would be glad to know of any other varieties.

Surcharged "7c R. P. C. Co. 1-25-'18"
a. normal in red
b. inverted in red
c. double inverted in red

Surcharged "10-4-1917. 7 CENTS U. S. P. C. Co"
a. reading down in black
b. reading up in violet

Surcharged "10-4-1917, 7 CENTS A. D."
a. reading down in dark red
b. reading up in bright red

Under date of January 17, 1919, the First Assistant Postmaster General called the attention of Postmasters to the fact that postage stamps should not be canceled in colors and that rubber stamps should not be used. He distinctly instructed that aeroplane mail should be canceled in black and that the rubber cancellor should not be used. If he really means what he says, we have seen the last of the special cancellations on the Washington, Philadelphia, New York air mail service, but we think that he overlooked the fact that rubber canceling stamps were furnished by the Post Office Department to be used in connection with the aeroplane service. We have written the post office for definite advice and if they reply with their usual promptness we will have their correct interpretation by early summer.

We wish to thank Messrs. C. Bayliss Sumner, Benjamin Smith, C. J. Hohenstein, J. R. Hammerle, Geo. A. Lindemann and others for notes of interest.

Paul C. Wild of the Covert Stamp Co. has submitted for our inspection a very fine double print of the 1c carmine rose Documentary. Mr. Wild writes that a sheet was found at the Rochester, N. Y., postoffice Jan. 29 and all but thirty-eight had been used before the double print was noticed. It is a very fine specimen of its kind.

AITUTAKI.—Mr. J. H. Smyth has shown us a copy of the 2½d stamp recently issued for this colony. The current stamp of New Zealand of the same value has been overprinted AITUTAKI in red.

AUSTRALIA.—The new 1½d stamp has appeared with inverted watermark. Owing to difficulty in obtaining 1½d stamps in some directions, and to stocks of 1d ones on hand, the Postal Department tacitly permitted the use of one half of a bisected penny stamp in conjunction with a penny one. We have been shown several examples of these on original envelopes. However, on attention being drawn to the matter, the following appeared in the daily press:—

BISECTED PENNY STAMPS.

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In a few instances correspondents who had not half-penny stamps at hand adopted the expedient of cutting diagonally into halves a penny stamp, and applying one half to represent the additional half-penny. Recipients were surprised at the request of the letter-carriers to pay excess rates. It appears that in all such instances the sender is liable to a fine of £50 for mutilating a stamp. The practice, innocent though it looks, would, if permitted to continue, open the way to serious fraud. Partly obliterated stamps could thus be bisected, and wholesale loss of revenue would result." — *Australian Philatelic Record.*

GERMANY.—A. C. Roessler has received a letter from E. W. Fuss and writes us as follows:—

"I just got a letter from Ed Fuss stamped with two 10pf German stamps. These were taken from a German prisoner ten days after the battle of St. Mihiel. Another letter has come through with a fancy label, white letters on a red background—very German looking. Both were marked 'Passed by the Censor' and cancelled by the U. S. Postal Service on the reverse side. Fuss has MEKEEL'S sent him from home and is thus keeping up to date on stamps."

GIBRALTAR.—*Whitfield King's Monthly Circular* is authority for the statement that the War Stamps of this colony were withdrawn from sale December 31st.

JOHORE.—We have received a consignment of stamps which included a great surprise, the one dollar values being with multiple quatrefoil watermark, the existence of which we were previously unaware of and which may be very scarce, as it is not long since we received supplies with the single quatrefoil watermark, and the $1 stamp on C.A. paper has already been issued.—*Whitfield King's Monthly Circular.*

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MOZAMBIQUE.—We have been favored by A. C. Roessler and F. M. Mason with copies of a circular sent out by the Mozambique Company from the London office in Queen Street Place. The circular very obligingly states that the 1918 set of postage stamps already referred to in our Chronicle can be obtained at face value from the address in question on a minimum order of $25. We are interested in the naive statement that the Company's revenue is mainly derived from customs receipts, native and other taxes and the granting of certain concessions. Without stretching the truth as Mr. Mason reminds us, stamps could have been added to the company's list of resources. Naturally the stamps are very attractive and we are obliged to Mr. Roessler for submitting the four lower values for our inspection.

PARAGUAY.—Mr. O. D. Challans advises that he has just received a copy of No. 407, 5c, yellow-brown, postage due, surcharged "Habilitado" in two lines.

PENRHYN ISLAND.—Mr. N. R. James of Adelaide has drawn our attention to the fact that the spacing between the words "Penrhyn" and "Islands" on the 1½d stamp measures ½mm. on some stamps and 1½ mm. on others.—*Australian Philatelic Record.*

SPAIN.—According to *Philatelia,* the 40c value is now appearing in bright rose, the salmon-rose printing, for the time being at any rate, having been exhausted. —*Stamp Collecting.*

SWEDEN.—In referring to the new values recently mentioned in our issue of No. 1466 *Whitfield King's Monthly Circular* reports the following:—

"Two new values, 55 ore, pale blue, and 80 ore, grey-black, were prepared for use, but as it was found that in consequence of alterations in the postal rates they would not be wanted, they were overprinted '27' in black over the original figures in the upper corners. By mistake 1,000 of each of these without the overprint were issued to one Post Office and all sold over the counter before they could be recalled. We are told that collectors in Sweden are offering $25 each and upwards for these unsurcharged stamps. If any of our friends should be asked to pay a fancy price for these, our advice to them is 'wait and see.'"

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Whisperings and Whimperings of a Philatelic Nut

Edited by COTTON C. DOYLE.

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Personal.

The editor of this department is a desperate character, weighing 119¾ with his collar and necktie on. He would rather fight than eat and would rather collect stamps than fight anyone weighing over 120 pounds. He lives on blood, and carnage is his delight, also red stamps. He has been collecting stamps for 23 years and his collection of American 2c reds numbered 2,827,311 at the last counting. When it gets to 5 million he intends to donate them to five aged and indignant females and start all over again.

He is of a kindly disposition and can laugh as loudly as anyone with only two lungs. He always carries a six-shooter magnifying glass and will cheerfully perforate any idiotic contrib who has the effrontery to differ with him on any philatelic subject whatsoever.

He does not care a hoorah for the truth but will use it when necessary or unavoidable. He will take a drink of buttermilk if properly approached. He has never been known to pay full catalog price for anything and his collection is a work of art in more ways than one. Nevertheless he loves all stamps and everything that looks like a stamp, and being a firm believer in the transmogrification of souls he expects to be the kind of a 90c 1869 in the next world that he dreams about having in this.

Criticism.

Quotation from Eugene Field when he was editor of a paper in Den., Colorado,—"This awkward sheet is our Esteemed Contemporary—etc." Which reminds us that Van of Denver has come to light again and is the new U. S. Rev. editor of the *Philatelic West*.

Friend Van ought to smoke better cigars or not let 'em go out. He knows better than to say Die II of the Brockett & Newton match stamp is scarcer than Die I. Put the blame on the "standard" catalog where it belongs. Die I is priced $1. Die II isn't priced at all and anyone who doesn't know would think Die II to be scarce. Truth is Die II is a common stamp worth 10c as it usually comes. If centered and not creased or cut with scissors 20c is about right for it. Pity the fellow with more money than knowledge of M & M who bid $25 for a copy of Die II at an auction last year!

Good news for M & M collectors:—The Scott concern is going to kill some of the jokers in their catalog and the edition for the winter of 1969-'70 will quote prices revised up to Jan. 1, 1919. While there's life there's hope

Notes & Gossip.

Stan Oakbrook, of the burg that made the 7c Stanton famous, has a fine new house with a sign on the front door, "Stamp Collectors Welcome." Three walls of the room devoted to stamps are papered with 1c fifty ones and he expects to complete the fourth wall this year. He hasn't decided what to do about the ceiling yet.

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Your articles on The Stamps of Enemy Nations bring to my mind discussions very similar in our trade paper for Florists. The subject under discussion was changing the names of Roses which were of German origin or had German names. The British Floricultural Societies refused to take up the subject, preferring to leave matters as they were before the war. If Messrs. Sleicher and Coning have any No. 1 Saxony or Bremen stamps I would be glad to take the strain off their mind by accepting same at any time. By the way the above mentioned Saxony has gone up a mere fifty dollars in the 1919 catalogue as have a number of the other old German states. I certainly agree with T. R. Hungerford's idea and were we to eliminate so many countries from our Albums we might as well give up the game. What shall we do with German Samoa, East Africa, Togo, etc., which are really a German product with a British surcharge? British dealers have been offering them for sale for some time past. However, time will heal the deepest wound, so let us all carry on our hobby as we wish.

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NEW HAVEN POSTMASTER STAMP.

(Some weeks ago we published a clipping from the New Haven (Conn.) Register dealing with early Connecticut stamp markings and we now reproduce another article from the same journal dealing with the Mitchell stamp issued in 1845. The article will be of interest to all our readers.—W. O. W.)

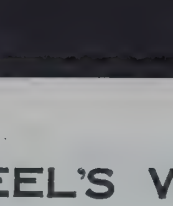
Connecticut has had stamp issues and stamp markings that have interested collectors and many of these stamps and markings have premiums on them and are in great demand among collectors.

Particularly is this true of markings on envelopes mailed at the post office in Waterbury prior to the year 1878. During the period of the time extending backward from 1878 there was employed at the Waterbury post office, according to Mr. Sanborn, who is preparing a history of the mail service and postal markings here, a man who had many original ideas in the cancelling of stamps and letters. Hundreds of letters passed from the Waterbury post office bearing small hand carved wood cuts that exactly fitted cancellation forms and these markings are now eagerly sought after by collectors.

Envelopes have come to light with cancellations representing a small elephant, evidently in use during a political campaign in that city. Another cancellation of a heart and arrow was on Valentine mail. The fall season of the year was marked by large oak leaves on the cancellation form and the spring by a small spray of flowers.

One envelope mailed at the Waterbury post office years ago has been found in Buffalo, N. Y., where in the cancellation mark there appears a hen, with widespread wings, rushing toward one end of the envelope.

From envelopes that have already come into the hands of collectors it is apparent that the Waterbury post office employee was a master at the art of engraving or rather carving for all of the many small stampings were made from wood cuts.



The first prepayment stamp that New Haven had was back in 1845, and that stamp was in no way like the adhesive stamp of today, but was a stamp on the envelope itself made from a brass die, and countersigned with the signature of the postmaster. Each town had a different prepayment stamp. In those days few letters were pre-paid, as practically all letters were paid for on delivery.

The original drawing of the First New Haven stamp is in the possession of the New Haven County Historical Society and may be seen at the museum of the Society in this city. From that original drawing there was made a brass die and this die was used in stamping all of the envelopes. Many of these old stamped envelopes have found their way into valuable stamp collections.

It was in 1840 that the first nation adopted the adhesive stamp for postage payment and that nation was Great Britain. In 1842 the city of New York produced adhesive carrier stamps, which were sold for delivery of mail in that city. In 1847 it was that the adhesive stamps came into general use throughout the country, but the old custom of payment upon receipt of the letter was adhered to strongly until 1856, when legislation required the prepayment of letter postage. The following year brought about a new law, which was even more strict. This law was to the affect that all non-prepaid letters would go to the dead letter office. This is not so strictly observed today, when, if you happen to place a two cent stamp on an out of town letter the letter will not go to the dead letter office, but to the person to whom it is addressed. It will have upon it a "postage due" stamp, which must be paid for before the delivery of the letter.

E. A. Mitchell was the postmaster of New Haven in those early days and the first payment stamps had to carry his signature. At that time New Haven was more of a maritime center than it is today and many vessels from the seven seas came into the New Haven harbor. It was the law then that all ship mail could be delivered or posted by none other than the captain of the vessel himself and immediately upon the arrival of a vessel in the harbor at Long Wharf the captain with his bag of mail would make his way up to the post office and custom house and return with his ship's papers and the crew's mail.

Each of these ships had its own peculiar stamp and envelope markings and these are eagerly sought after by stamp collectors of today.

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Jan. 21, 1919.

The 416th (regular) meeting of the Society was called to order at 8 P. M. by Pres. Brown, 43 members and friends being present. The regular routine business was conducted. Esidor Curhan being elected to junior membership. In his oral report for the year the president thanked the council and others for their help during his two years of office and hoped that the incoming officers would be able to show a marked advance in the progress of the Society at the end of their terms. Balloting for officers for 1919 resulted as follows:—A. W. Dunning was elected president, Ralph N. Hall, vice-president, F. W. Stiles, secretary, G. Carlton Russell, treasurer, S. G. Bixby, Mgr. of both Sales and Bourse, Oscar Hill, Foreign secretary, and W. L. Aldrich, Auction superintendent. Messrs. C. K. B. Nevin, D. F. Kelleher, B. W. Allen, Oscar Hill and J. S. Bell, Jr., were elected as councillors at large.

Mr. Dunning took the chair and read a number of rewards which he proposes to give during the year to those who bring new members into the Society. He also made an appeal for donations to the collection which the Society has been forming for the past two years. The meeting adjourned at 10 P. M. There was no formal entertainment but a wonderful lot of U.S. covers were shown by one of our guests, Mr. Malin, which will be shown again at some meeting when he can have time to do himself and his exhibit justice.

The applications of Messrs. Wm L Blake, Portland Me., proposed by Mr. James C. Woolley and of M. D. Olmstead, Concord, N. H., proposed by Mr. S. G. Bixby were posted. Mr. Olmstead made a short speech, the subject of which was the encouragement of the young collectors.

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[NOTE.—The author offers his humble apologies to those readers who may have been interested in this article for the desultory manner of its appearance. It has been impossible during an extended period to find the necessary amount of leisure for its proper compilation, but it is hoped that conditions will now permit a more rapid presentation. Its proposed issue as a handbook will bring it together in proper form for ready consultation.—C. A. H.]

CHAPTER XVI.

The Unauthorized Republican Surcharges.

(*Continued from Vol. XXXII, p.* 147.)

Again we find in *Ewen's Weekly Stamp News* for October 19, 1912, a letter from Mr. W. S. Lincoln who wrote them as follows:—

"I have just received a new overprint emanating from 'Kien Yang Fu' in the Province of *Fukien,* like the 'Hwang-do' surcharge previously received, consisting of seven values, ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 cents, and the overprint is found both in red and black, the red ones being considerably rarer than the black.

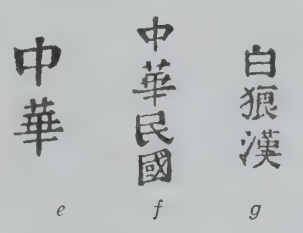
"I understand that only 1,000 of each value has been surcharged of both colored overprints; the type employed for the surcharge is quite distinctive and can readily be separated from the other overprints."

Kienyangfu (the *fu* signifying a municipality of the first class) is a city in the postal district of Foochow. In chronicling these surcharges, the *Monthly Journal* states that: "Our correspondent tells us that their use was almost immediately discontinued as fresh supplies arrived from Shanghai." Further details are furnished by a Shanghai journal, *L'Echo de la Chine,* as follows:—

"The Kien-yang-fou issue also numbers seven stamps, surcharged in black and red. A dealer at Shanghai, wishing to obtain official information on this issue, wrote to the postmaster at Foochow, sending him several sets on postal cards and inquiring if these stamps were still on sale at Kien-yang-fou, at the same time requesting that the postal cards stamped with these stamps might be cancelled and sent to him through the mail. We have seen the reply of the postmaster at Foo-chow, signed 'TAH', postal commissioner ad interim, central office of Foo-chow. We quote the following phrase: 'Our district Director has investigated this affair; the office at Kien-yang-fou no longer uses these stamps'. This is proof that in this case also the issue was official."

It seems to us that this last sentence takes considerable for granted; and we also might say that the laconic quotation immediately preceding it seems to us to indicate just the opposite, if it means anything. The overprint is illustrated as type *d*. We have seen a cover canceled in August, 1912, (date illegible) and received at Foochow on August 7th.

The above are the best known of the unofficial Republican surcharges. There are a number of others, but very little is known about them and it seems hardly worth while to give them much attention when their status is at best open to very serious question. We have illustrated two of them as types *e* and *f* in the accompanying cut. The first of these is known as the Harbin or Harbin-Kwan-



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chengtze surcharge. I have been unable to find it chronicled except in the *Numismatic and Philatelic Journal of Japan* for September, 1913, where the 1 cent is illustrated and mentioned as a "curious and rare surcharge" but the postmark was not sufficiently clear to allow the locality to be determined. I have seen several values cancelled "Kwanchengtze, Sept. 22, 1913." There seems to be no further information available. Both Harbin and Kwanchengtze are chief offices of sub-districts under the Moukden postal district in Manchuria. Just why they should have surcharged the old Empire stamps as late as August or September, 1913, does not appear unless they desired to use up a stock of them on hand. But this could have been done

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As will be seen, the surcharge consists simply of the two characters *Chung Hua,* signifying "China," in rather larger type than usual and appearing as if done with a hand stamp. It is known in red on the ½, 1, 2, 3 and 4 cent stamps and in black on the ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 10, 20, 30 and 50 cent stamps as well as the 1? 4 and 5 cent blue and 1 cent brown postage dues. The lateness of the appearance of these surcharges, the two colors of surcharge and the extent of the series surcharged, combined with the lack of information about them all tends to make one suspicious of their *bona fides,* to say nothing of their "official" standing.

Type *f* in the cut is the so-called Kongmoon surcharge. This I find described in Paul Kohl's *Mitteilungen* for January and March-April, 1913. Three values are listed as having been used for franking letters, the 3, 5 and 7 cent stamps with the surcharge in a washed out red color. It is listed with reserve as being "questionable", and later they quote their informant as being of the opinion that it was "the work of an all too patriotically minded philatelist as a private enterprise". There seems to be no other information available. It might be added that Kongmoon is a Treaty Port on the "West River" some distance south of Canton, in which postal district it is included.

Kohl also lists a surcharge from Tungchow on the 3c stamps, this being somewhat similar to the Kienyangfu surcharge (type *d*) and struck in red. A horizontal surcharge in black, reading from right to left, is also listed on the 2c and 3c stamps as hailing from Liuchow, but there is no further information. *Ewen's Weekly Stamp News* in its issue for January 4, 1913, says:—"A correspondent writes from Singapore informing us that he has just received from Satow [Swatow?] some provisional stamps of Chinese Republic, with the surcharge handstamped. He kindly encloses copies for our inspection of the 1, 2, 3, 10, 50c with red surcharge; and the 5, 20c with black surcharge." Again no further information.

We have given in this chapter the stories, as far as we have been able to find them out, of the locally struck Republican surcharges which have so insistently, in some cases, knocked for admission to catalog standing. It seems to us that from these the reader can form a fairly good idea himself of the real importance and necessity of their issue, as well as the official view concerning them. In the first place the unsurcharged Empire stamps remained valid for postage, but new supplies as sent out from Shanghai bore the Republican overprint. There was, therefore, no need for any Empire stamps to be surcharged locally. The official notice which demonetized the Empire stamps is here given:—

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The only excuse that can be offered for the local surcharging is the one given by the Postmaster of Hochow An, whose letter we have already quoted, where he speaks of the order that post offices should obliterate from all papers the old Empire name *(Ta Ching)* and substitute the new Republican name *(Chung Hua Min Kuo).* We quote a paragraph in defense of them from a much interested party.—

"Many of the smaller offices, especially those in out-of-the-way-districts, did not receive these Government surcharged stamps for months after the notice was issued, and many of the local postmasters, therefore, used their own surcharges, type, wood blocks and even rubber stamps; and these we claim, though not officially authorized by Peking (unrecognized now by them), are legitimate non-official issues, having done postal duty for weeks and months; and, in fact, these non-official issues have fewer errors—such as inverted and double surcharges, than the so-called strictly official ones authorized by Peking and executed there and in Shanghai.

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It strikes us that "legitimate non-official issues" is a rather curious phrase! As for having done duty "for weeks and months", we think none of them can claim much beyond "weeks" and some hardly more than "days".

On the other side, Messrs. Whitfield King & Co. published the following:—

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This shows clearly enough the official attitude toward the local attempts, and the summary stopping of such issues when called to official notice has doubtless been remarked in reading our account of several of the issues treated at length earlier in this chapter. The excuse that they passed unchallenged through the post, at first, thus giving them "official" standing, is pure bosh. Almost anything will go through the post at times and many collectors make a place in their albums for such "freaks" as a sideshow. In this class the unauthorized Republican surcharges belong. Let those whose interest in China warrants it collect them as interesting "side-shows" if they will—we are all free to collect anything we fancy—but let them desist in their attempt to make them "official" in any way or to get

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Chinese Post Office,
Shanghai, 22nd Sept., 1913.

The surcharges referred to were the "Provisional Neutrality" and "cruciform" types that we have already described in Chapter XV; but it evidently included the regular Republican surcharge as is evident from explanatory remarks in one of the Shanghai local papers which we reproduce:—

"Stamp collectors should pay particular attention to the notice published yesterday by the Chinese Post Office authorities. . . This notice has become necessary because of extensive frauds. The warning was sent out from Peking after consideration of reports from various provincial offices revealing extensive forgeries of the surcharge on new stamps. . . The forgery consists of an imitation of the official chop 'Chinese Republic', printed in black or red ink vertically on the stamps in the center. The imitation has been so cleverly done that the fraud cannot be detected, in most cases, unless the stamps be examined under a strong magnifying glass. The forgery seems to have been begun about the time of the revolution, and when the surcharged stamps got into the market, agents appear to have obtained chops similar to the official surcharge chop and to have used them on the old stock".

We have left to consider one surcharge lettered *g*. This is the so-called White-Wolf surcharge, printed in red on the ½, 1, 2, 3 and 4 cent stamps. Concerning it we really have no information. The surcharge reads *Pai Lang Han* and means literally "White Wolf China." This was the terrible bandit White Wolf who terrorized central China from the autumn of 1913 until he was killed on August 5, 1914. The word "Han" is a favorite term for China much used in the central provinces where the fame of the old Han dynasty is strong. White Wolf operated in the provinces of Honan, Hupeh, Anhui and Kansu, where he led an army of revolutionaries, religious fanatics and plain brigands who looted villages, plundered towns and terrorized the countryside. Moving swiftly and secretly, his army was able to take the worthless government garrisons and police forces of the various towns by surprise; the place looted, they would depart as suddenly as they came. In the spring of 1914 fifty thousand government troops were pursuing them, but could not catch them. White Wolf was at last killed in Honan on August 5, 1914, by a Chinese officer who got $50,000 reward. His followers were then easily dispersed.

The stamps may have been surcharged by his order, but as he did not attempt to organize any government, as far as known, it hardly seems likely that a roving army of revolutionary bandits would bother with the postal service or stop to surcharge a stamp issue for themselves, particularly with a printing press such as was used to produce the neat job done on these stamps. We shall have to view them with even more suspicion than the "unauthorized Republican surcharges."

(To be continued.)

IN ANSWER TO MR. BARRETT.

By PHILIP H. WARD, JR.

I have read with amusement the remarks on page 49 of the February 1st edition of your paper by Mr. Louis G. Barrett concerning the 3 violet. Mr. Barrett concerning the 3c violet. Mr. statements regarding these stamps which were absolutely incorrect and now tries to explain his position by reading into criticisms made by Mr. Joseph B. Leavy and myself, statements which we have never made. I still maintain that every word mentioned in my article on Page 8 of the January 4th WEEKLY can be proven to be true by anyone who will take the trouble to investigate and the same remarks will apply to Mr. Leavy's notes.

In my statements I mentioned the following *Facts:*

(1) "Mr. Barrett is absolutely wrong when he says that the 1c, 3c, 4c and 5c rotary coil stamps are from a different die than those used for the flat plates."

(2) "Of the 2c value only was a special die made".

(3) There is no 3c die II rotary press endwise coil.

Mr. Barrett trys to make it look as if I have said that there are not two dies of the 3c rotary stamp, I do not say this for there are two dies of the 3c flat plate and the same two for the rotary. I stated that the dies used for the rotary plates are the same in the case of all but the 2c as were used for the flat plates.

Mr. Barrett now admits that I am correct insofar as (2) and (3) are concerned and that he is wrong. He also admits that only one die each was used for the rotary and flat plates in the case of the 1c, 4c and 5c whereas in his article he states that there are two of each.

He now trys to confuse matters by stating that there are two dies for the 3c coil. Neither Mr. Leavy nor myself have ever denied this and if anyone will trouble themselves to refer to our articles they will see that we did not take exception to Mr. Barrett's statement that there were two dies of the 3c but took exception to the remark that the dies for the 3c rotary coil differ from those of the flat plate.

Referring to page 334 of MEKEEL'S for Nov. 2nd, Mr. Barrett states, "Of the numbers missing from above list 8269 * * * were three cent 170 subject curved plates for the rotary presses which, of course, it is well known are of a different die, anyway, which has never been given a separate die name, as is was distinctive of that process". You will see from this that he does not recognize the rotary coil die as the same one that he speakes about on the same page as Die II of the flat plate but says "it is well known are of a different die".

In Mr. Barrett's remarks on page 49 of the Feb. 1st edition of MEKEEL'S he says "Up to that time (Nov. 2, 1918), there had been no reference other than my own, to a different die for the 3c rotary press". This is not correct for on page 192 of the June 1918 edition of the *Philatelic Gazette* the same Mr. Leavy who is not supposed to know that there is a second die of the 3c rotary chronicles "1918—No watermark, coiled horizontally, rotary press, 3c light violet, Die II". This does not look very much as if Mr. Barrett's article was the first to record this second die. Mr. Mann also chronicled the stamp in MEKEEL'S about the same time, but not having my files available I cannot refer to the page. The whole controversy narrows down to this: Mr. Barrett states that different dies were used for the 3c rotary plates than were used for the flat plates and Mr. Leavy and myself maintain that the same dies were used to make the 3c rotary plates that were used to make the flat plates and I defy anyone to prove that we are not correct. Every word in both of our criticisms are true facts in every detail and neither Mr. Barrett nor anyone else can prove otherwise.

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Spontaneous—The suggestion that has been made by the New York *Sun* that a set of stamps be issued to commemorate the closing of the war has spread in the manner of the proverbial wild-fire. "Like wild-fire spread the news" among collectors and now we have a swelling response affirmatively to the question of shall there be a monument of stamps to celebrate our victory. That so much interest would be shown in the proposal impresses us, but, after all, if collectors do not concern themselves over the possibility of increase in the stamp population, who will? It is a fair assumption that a stamp subject that interests the general public will make an impression on collectors and judging from the number of letters that have come to us, the post office department must be aware that philatelists are not sleeping on their rights to address the throne on a proposition that is their especial mutton. The readers who have written to us, without exception, think that it is fitting that the nation's victory be memorialized by a set of stamps and the only differences of opinion that are disclosed have to do with the method of approach to the happy consummation.

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Subjects—We may say that the catholicity of mind shown by those who have sent us suggestions for designs is admirable. Some of the themes presented are rather too ingenious for serious consideration but there is no mistaking the sincerity of the senders. Mr. Burt B. Hyde thinks that privates Enright, Gresham and Hay should be honored and he would give the dough-boys and marines prominent place. Another man wants a tank to be shown and President Wilson also is recommended for distinction. In connection with the president's portrait, the note is made that while it is unlawful to picture a living celebrity on our postage stamps, "the law has been laid aside so much during the war" that the idea is not inopportune. We have compiled at different times reasons for not depicting the features of living dignitaries on our stamps which at the time seemed all sufficient but in the face of the statement that our correspondent has always believed that honor should be given the person during his life "as what would a person care about a bouquet after he was dead: not I", what lame rejoinder may we make?

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Show—There is a chance that the government will loan favorable ear to the request for victory stamps. We have no particular information on which to base a surmise, but we know that different postal administrations have diverse views on the matter of unessential issues. At one time, we were asked to discourage any demand for special sets that came from promoters of national enterprises that wanted the special issue as an advertising advantage for the affair that they were interested in. Capital was made of the department's position, which was such that the extra work entailed in the preparation and handling of the additional stamps was not justified by the results. Latterly, nothing has been heard of objections based on this point and it is likely that the creation of stamps, not exactly necessary from utilitarian view-point, but welcome sentimentally, is not met with antagonism by the department. We hope to have some news on the subject before long.

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Sent—From Mr. James C. Jay we have received a card, the description of which is well worth while, as it has a stamp association in a way. The cardboard is of yellowish tint and is about two and one-half by one and one-half inches in size. It bears in neat type the printing: "One Cent. Receivable in payment of postage and redeemable at the New Orleans Post Office. J. L. Riddell, Postmaster, S. S. Riddell, Postage Clerk." A large "1" is sunk into the card in a yellow of deeper color than the color of the card. There is a wood-cut of a cotton bale in each of the upper corners. The "S. S. Riddell" is written in ink while the letters of the name of the postmaster are impressed without color into the paper. The style and size of the letters are those of the name of Mr. Riddell on the five cent New Orleans local stamp. Having no definite record of the use of this slip, we may only theorize as to the service that it performed. Undoubtedly, it was a sort of emergency currency to supply the small change that was so necessary in minor transactions and has some official standing by reason of having been sponsored by the post office which had a governmental authority. It is possible that this variety of provisional money is known to some of our readers who are in a position to enlighten us concerning it.

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Shooting—We are hearing tremendous tales of soaring prices of the good old stamps and as we know that they are somewhat more than founded on fact, it becomes necessary to adjust the focus. Catalogue prices in numerous instances seem to have become a mockery and not a by-word for scores of these specimens which are changing hands at prices much above catalogue quotations. We looked for price stimulation, but the present condition exceeds expectation and the eminence that some of the favorites have attained is a dizzy one. Dependence on the catalogue for the shooting stars is likely to lead to complications, as those who have been somewhat backward in accepting the new situation can testify. Prime condition is a leading factor and when it is present in old U. S., early Europeans, triangular Capes, imperforates, etc., the prices are such as to give the old-timer who is somewhat rusty on prevailing market conditions a start. The day of the classics in stamps has been some time in dawning, but those who have waited for it patiently have been rewarded. In this connection, we may speak of the following little instance. A friend whose position is such that he could fairly pose as a philatelic prophet was asked to inform our readers several months ago on market possibilities. In all courtesy he declined to do so, "not from any selfish reasons but because of the chance of going wrong." He explained that no exclusive knowledge even, of the stamp trend could be depended upon as the basis for prediction, as any general upward sweep was due to a variety of causes which joined in one swelling movement. It is all right to generalize, he said, but when it came to citing particular stamps as the ones to buy, he maintained that the very announcement of that statement affected their position.

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Sold—The prices in London sales for some of the war stamps from some of the late German colonies surprise us. For instance, in New Britain (German New Guinea), the 3d on 30pf, mint vertical pair, the top stamp with double surcharge, 70 pounds; the 4d on 40pf, with double surcharge, mint, 80 pounds; and the rarities in the second printing ranged from 14 to 65 pounds. It is evident that the demand for stamps of this kind will assure the rarities a place high in the sun.

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COLLECTORS' CLUB YEAR BOOK.

We have received from Herman Toaspern a copy of the Year Book of the Collectors' Club of New York for this season. In addition to the constitution and a list of the meetings, exhibitions and competitions, there is special mention made of "an out-of-town championship competition." It is of more than local interest and we publish the following excerpt:—

Following the custom of the past few seasons of holding new and novel competitions to interest the Collectors' Club members and visiting philatelists, it has been decided to hold a championship contest once a year to determine the best collection owned by a member of a philatelic association or club outside of New York City.

It is requested that all philatelic societies have an exhibition at one of their meetings to determine the collection which, in their opinion, is the best. The intention is not to judge all on the same basis. A collection featuring a single issue specialized, containing original research and careful study, will be placed on exactly the same basis as a collection containing rarities and not representing the same amount of study. The idea is not so much the most valuable collection, but the one that is best according to the philatelic ideals of the Club.

The champion collection of each club is in turn to be exhibited in competition at the Collectors' Club, Monday, May 19, 1919.

It is desired that the owner visit the Club with his collection, but if the distance be so great as to preclude this, then the Club will guarantee all forwarding, insurance and other expenses as well as to assure owners of the prompt return of their collection. The Secretaries of the prominent philatelic clubs have been notified. Further information or questions which may arise will be answered by writing the Chairman of the Entertainment Committee at his home address, 233 Greene Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

There will be three medals offered—silver gilt, silver and bronze, as well as Certificates of Award. The rules governing the contest will be the same as for Club competitions. Resident Members of the C. C. will not be allowed to compete, but non-resident members may compete in their respective local societies.

Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

HUNGARY 1908.

By PERCY MCGRAW MANN.

It recently came to my notice that the Hungarian stamps issued in 1908, on the second type crown watermarked paper, were issued on two distinct varieties of paper, one toned or yellowish and the other pure white.

The Hungarian stamps of Scott's types A4 and A5 cover a period of minor changes similar to those which have taken place in our own United States stamps since 1908. First, they were issued on paper watermarked a large fancy "Iron Crown" enclosed in a circle, and this device was multiplied over the sheet, the circles interlacing. The perforations were mixed 11½ and 12, and sets showing several combinations of these gauges can be formed by the studious—and patient observer. That was back in 1900. In 1901 some changes in colors and additional values were issued.

In 1904 to 1907 a series was issued on a new paper showing an "Iron Crown" watermark to each stamp (sometimes the sheet was misplaced and parts of the crown only show) without the circles. These were at first perforated 12 and later perforated 15. The crown of this watermark is almost round and easily distinguished on account of its curved base.

A change of the crown watermark device was made and in 1908 (Jubilee Year) an entire new series was issued, perforated 15. This crown can be determined by the straight base. Then an all-over design of outline double crosses joined by wavy lines was adapted for watermark and the series was issued in 1913-16, introducing some of the values on colored papers (or, rather, on surface-colored papers). The perforation remained the same, 15.

My first paragraph refers to the issue of 1908, the one with straight base crown and my reference collection shows the following, while others probably exist:

Toned Paper.	White Paper.
1f dark blue gray.	1f blue gray.
3f orange.	2f dull yellow.
5f emerald-green.	3f orange.
6f olive green.	5f emerald-green.
10f carmine.	6f gray-green.
12f dark lilac.	10f carmine.
20f violet-brown.	12f purple.
25f blue.	20f violet-brown.
30f yellow-brown.	25f blue.
30f orange-brown.	35f violet.
35f red-violet.	50f deep rose.
50f lake.	2k blue.
60f green.	
1k brown-red.	
2k blue.	
5k violet-brown.	

The cancellations on the white paper varieties show the dates of 1911-12 and the toned papers are the commoner, so it is my belief that the pure white paper only had a short life preceding the double cross watermark paper which appeared in 1913.

A Few Lots from the Angell Sale March 10, 11, 12th

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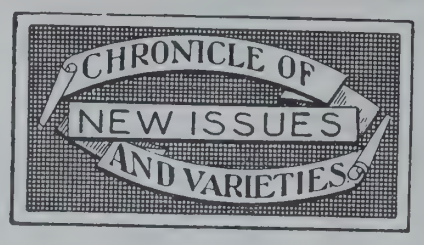

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Your editor is now in a position to definitely state that there will shortly be issued a new 3c postage stamp to commemorate the successful termination of the war—a victory stamp in other words. In our issue of January 25th we advised that we had been led to believe that such a stamp would appear but since then proofs have been run off. I understand these have been approved and the plates themselves have perhaps been completed and printed from.

The design shows a female figure, representing "Victory", the color will be violet, the denomination 3c, and they will be printed upon unwatermarked paper, perforated 11.

Regarding the 1c surface print which heretofore has been on sale in Washington only, we now learn that the variety has appeared in both New York and Philadelphia. Those on sale in New York are from plates numbered 9496, 9509, 9517, 9518, 9519, 9521, 9525 and higher while those in Philadelphia are from plates 9261 and 9403, the former being the lowest located as yet. We will anxiously await advice as to the whereabouts of those sheets bearing the first number 9095 and would not be surprised to find them distributed through one or more of the smaller offices. Quite a number of our readers have shown great interest in these surface printed stamps from the earlier plates, so we trust our correspondents will keep us fully informed, especially should impressions from the first plate be found.

Speaking of the surface printed stamps, the Nassau Stamp Company has shown us a very interesting sheet of the 3c denominations, where the roller seems to have been greatly over-inked resulting in an impression hard to describe. The stamps appear as rectangular blots of ink rather than anything else. They also show us a clearly printed sheet from the same plate in a vastly different shade. This shows us quite conclusively that we cannot describe and list certain shades as coming from certain plates as we have been led to believe was the case by some of our contemporaries.

Mr. A. E. Owen calls our attention to an odd defect in the upper right pane of the 3c type IV. In the early plates of this type we find a heavy colored spot under the "S" of "U. S." This defect is found on all of the lower numbered plates but it must have been noted by the Bureau for they have attempted to rectify it recently. They, however, made little improvement for the colored spot now appears white.

Our attention has just been called to the fact that the philatelic press has failed to inform its readers that the Bureau of Engraving and Printing had made up three plates of 153 subjects for printing booklet panes upon the rotary press. Heretofore nothing but coils in the way of postage stamps, have come from these presses. Some months back, however, three plates bearing numbers 7917, 7918 and 7960 were completed but these have not gone to press as yet. As these plates must be used in pairs it is quite likely that one of the first two made was damaged in some way, otherwise it is hardly conceivable why a third plate was made at a later date. These plates have the subjects arranged 17 by 9 so when two plates are fitted together 306 stamps are printed at one revolution of the cylinder. This means that 51 booklet panes of 6 are thus produced.

We mentioned in our last edition that the First Assistant Postmaster General had issued an order to all postmasters, instructing them to cancel all mail in black by means of the regular cancellers. A letter just received from the Post Office Department confirms this information and informs us that in the future airplane mail will not receive a special postmark "as it has been found inadvisable to cancel any one class of mail with a special cancellation stamp." What is the result? In the future a cover carrying a letter through the regular mail weighing between one and two ounces and having its postage paid by a 6c aeroplane stamp will not differ in appearance from an aeroplane cover. Watch the next report of the Post Office Department for the amount of mail carried via airplane and we predict that we will find a dropping off of at least twenty-five per cent.

We desire to thank Messrs. Joseph Demer, C. A., Sittig, Chas. M. Breder, E. S. Jamieson, James P. Cooper and others for information of interest.

AUSTRALIA.—We have been favored by Harry S. Cann, Jr., with specimens of the new 1½d King George. These stamps have aready been chronicled.

CEYLON.—We chronicled recently some new provisionals, but in the *Stamp Collector's Fortnightly*, a Ceylon paper is quoted to a considerable extent and we consider the details worthy of passing on to our readers:—The provisionals were issued to meet a public necessity caused by an increase in postage rates. We quote:—

In consequence of the increase in postal rates taking effect from to-day, many people are wondering what they are to do with the old two cents and five cents stamps, of which many of us have a number on hand. The answer is supplied by the appearance on some of the letters this morning of a one cent stamp, which is really an ordinary five cents stamp with the words "One Cent" printed over it. The words "War Stamp" are also printed on some of the stamps above the words "One Cent" in view of the increase in the postal rates being due to war legislation. This does not, however, alter the value of the one cent stamps. Hence an old five cents stamp on which is printed "one cent" or "war stamp—one cent," has to be added to letters bearing an ordinary five cents stamp to make six cents, the new rate. The authorities are printing a new one cent stamp, but as it will be several months before it is issued, this temporary conversion of some of the five cents into one cent stamps has been resorted to. Similarly two two cent stamps must be used on a postcard to make four cents. A letter (Home letters for instance), the destination of which is outside Ceylon and India, requires a six cents stamp plus a three cents stamp to make nine cents.

The stamps which have been overprinted, to provide for the increase in the postal rates, are the 2c orange-brown, the 3c green, and the 5c bright purple, all of the current Georgian series.

All the overprints, which we should say are of local production, are in black roman capitals; and on the 5 cents we have three different inscriptions.

First of all, we get each of the three values overprinted WAR STAMP in two lines, across the King's head.

Then the 5 cents comes with its value reduced to ONE CENT, the new denomination being in one line, printed just above the tablet containing the original value, which is cancelled by a line of "printers' rule", extending from end to end of each horizontal row of stamps.

Finally, the 5 cents appears with both overprint and surcharge, in the respective positions already given, and evidently printed at one and the same operation.

Mr. Hollick tells us that about two millions of each will be issued, and that, so far as he is aware, there are no minor varieties to be recorded.

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COLOMBIA. — Mr. John P. Cooper shows us a copy of a new stamp of this country. It is of the 3 centavos value and the color is red. The centre of the stamp shows the arms of the republic while the border has the words CORREOS DE COLOMBIA at the top and the value figures at the bottom with the word CENTAVOS between. Mr. Cooper shows us at the same time copies of the 1, 2, 3, and 5 centavos stamps, revenue type, postally used.

DENMARK.—Mr. W. T. Wilson shows us copies of the following new values 7 ore orange, 30 ore green and black, and 40 ore violet and black. The type is the same as Scott's A16.

EGYPT.—A further provisional arrives in the shape of the chestnut Official stamp (no value expressed), surcharged "3 P. T.", and with Arabic equivalent in black. Mr. Léonce Colucci Bey kindly sends us an unused copy.

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ITALIAN AUSTRIA.—On the occupation of the reconquered territory by the Italian forces, the Austrian stamps found in the post offices were utilized by overprinting. We have been informed by Messrs. Whitfield King & Co. of the following varieties:—

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3. Current Hungarian stamps, overprinted "FIUME."

4. All values of current Italian stamps, overprinted as No. 1.

The numbers issued of Nos. 1, 2, and 3 were very limited, and our friends say that, so far, they have been unable to obtain any. It is as yet uncertain whether they will be able to distribute No. 4 to their new issue subscribers.

Thanks to Mr. H. R. Harmer we have before us an envelope posted in Trento, Nov. 30 (?), 1918, and also bearing the Genoa cancellation, the only adhesives on it being the following:—

1. Current 20c stamp of Italy, overprinted "Venezia—Tridentino" in two lines.

2. The same, with the addition of "20 Heller" as third line.

3. Current 10h (Coronation) stamp of Austria, overprinted "Regno d'Italia—Trentino—3 Nov. 1918", in three lines.

With regard to the first of the three varieties, that particular overprint appears on the lower part of the stamp, and quite possibly is identical with the second variety, the surcharged value having been impressed on the stamp below that which should have received the entire overprint of three lines

We are told that, in the first printings of the overprint "Regno d'Italia—Trentino—3 Nov. 1918", the numeral "8" was inserted, by error in place of the "3", so that a few stamps were actually printed and distributed with the date indicated as "8 Nov. 1918". Very few copies got into circulation, however, before this error was noticed.

The following figures are stated to represent the total numbers printed of the two types of overprint which are already obsolete.

Overprint "Regno d'Italia—Trentino—3 Nov. 1918."

3 heller	9,200	25 heller	1,600
5 heller	42,000	30 heller	2,300
6 heller	900	40 heller	1,100
10 heller	45,700	50 heller	2,000
12 heller	400	60 heller	1,500
15 heller	2,600	80 heller	400
20 heller	29,050	1kr	700

Overprint "Venezia Tridentino".

1h	48,300	20h	50,000
2h	30,000	40h	4,100
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By B. W. H. POOLE.

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REVENUE STAMPS.—These are stamps issued solely for fiscal purposes as distinguished from those issued for the prepayment of postage or available for both postal and fiscal purposes.

REVERSED.—Some of the stamps issued in Mafeking during the famous siege of 1900 were produced by a photographic process and in printing at least one sheet of the 3d the negative was placed wrong way round with the result that on this sheet all the impressions are reversed. Reversed impressions are sometimes found on the backs of stamps but these are merely "off-sets" caused by the sheets being piled on top of each other before the ink had properly dried. Reversed watermarks, due to stamps being printed on the wrong side of the paper, are by no means uncommon. The term reversed is sometimes, but quite erroneously, used for inverted, implying upside-down.

R. F.—These initials are found on many French colonial stamps and are simply an abbreviation for "Republique Francaise".

R. G.—An overprint found on certain South Australian stamps used during the period 1868-74 on the correspondence from the office of the Registrar-General. They were superseded in 1874 by the general issue for all government departments with the "O. S." overprint.

R. H.—A watermark shown in the two stamps issued in Hayti in 1898. They are intended to signify "Republique d'Haiti".

R. H. OFFICIAL.—An overprint applied to the King Edward ½d and 1d stamps of Great Britain in 1902 for use on the official correspondence of the Royal Household. They were suppressed in 1904 together with all other British departmental stamps.

RHEATOWN.—A small village in Tennessee philatelically famous from the fact that in 1861 its then postmaster issued a special 5c stamp just before the general issue for the Confederacy came into being.

RHODESIA.—An extensive territory in South Africa administered by the British South Africa Company. Its stamps, first issued in 1890, were until 1909 inscribed British South Africa Company, but since that year they have borne the correct name of the territory. The name is taken from that of Cecil John Rhodes who was the dominating figure in its development until the time of his death in 1902.

RI.—The French equivalent for "re" or "rin" shown on one of the stamps of the 1903 issue for Corea, which issue was engraved and printed in Paris.

RIOS.—A control mark stamped upon all the stamps of Ecuador issued in the province of Los Rios in 1902 for the reason explained under "Guayas".

RIBBED PAPER.—This paper differs from Rep in that one side is smooth and the other is in alternate furrows and ridges, the paper being thinner in the furrows than it is in the ridges.

RIDDELL, J. L.—The postmaster of New Orleans, Louisiana, whose name appears on the special 2c and 5c stamps he caused to be issued in 1861 for facilitating the prepayment of postage before the regular Confederate stamps appeared.

RIGSBANK-SKILLING.—The value in which the first two stamps for Denmark were expressed. The unit of value at that time was the "marcbanco", divided into 48½ rigsbank-skilling, and worth about 35c in American money.

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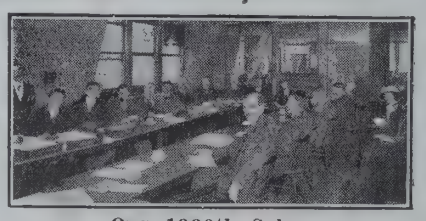

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

—We have received a very interesting letter from Lieut. Chas. G. Brown, Jr., home address Huntingdon, Pa., but now with the A. E. F. in France. Lieut. Brown gives us several items of news and we should be pleased to publish the letter in full were it not for the embargo he has placed upon it. We take the liberty of making one reference to the contents of the letter. A copy of the 90c 1869 on the original cover has been located by one of our U. S. philatelists in the service, and its appearance here in the States will be awaited with interest. Lieut. Brown comments "This should create quite a sensation in collecting circles."

—Supplementing our chronicle this week of a proposed "VICTORY" stamp we have received letters from John P. Cooper and A. C. Roessler in which the P. O. Department states that such a stamp is in preparation.

—Edw. Sauer, Richmond, Ind., gives a warning concerning a party who has this address:—The Perrines, care Wayne Christy, Majestic Theatre Bdg., Chicago, Ill. Mr. Sauer writes "This party is a member of a vaudeville team calling themselves The Perrines and I believe he is operating in various towns. He usually looks up collectors and requests them to register valuable lots of stamps to the address given. I can get no reply to letters mailed him."

—We have received from Mr. John Reid a military cancellation similar to the one described by Mr. Kimball in a recent issue of the WEEKLY. The only difference consists in the addition of the word "Postal" while the letters "C.P.O." are in the center. Mr. Reid has seen this cancellation in both purple and red.

—We are informed by D. C. Alexander, Franklin, Vt., that an effort is being made to revive the Vermont Philatelic Society and collectors interested are invited to correspond with Mr. Alexander.

—We are advised of the death of H. J. Howlett, 250 Washington Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y. We are asked to notify dealers and auction firms to remove Mr. Howlett's name from their lists.

—Wm. Schwarz informs us that the Pittsburg Sunday *Gazette* of Feb. 2 contained a striking half-page in the magazine section entirely devoted to stamps and stamp collecting. Mr. Jessup, the editor of this department, is doing a fine bit of service.

—The Philatelic Society of Pittsburgh, Pa., will hold a "Come-Meet-Us-Smoker," Tuesday, Feb. 18, at Hotel Henry. Those who do not smoke will have enough to interest them in a stamp exhibit, auction and raffle of stamp donations.

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By C. A. Howes.

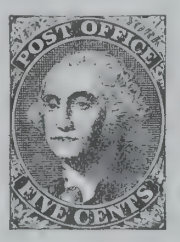
"To the memory of the man, first in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his countrymen!" Thus spoke Gen. Henry Lee in his eulogy on George Washington delivered in Congress on December 26, 1799. And the philatelists of a century later might add: "first and foremost on the postal issues of his country."

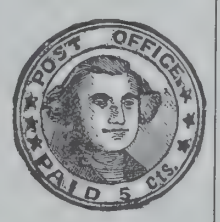
As is well known, the United States was somewhat slow in adopting the English system of prepayment of postage by means of stamps, which also accompanied a sweeping reduction in postal charges, and which took effect on May 1, 1840. Several other countries recognized the advantages of the new scheme before this country took any action in the matter, even the South American Empire of Brazil being four years ahead of us. But at last popular clamor caused Congress to move in the matter, and by the act of March 3, 1845, the previous heavy letter charges, regulated by the distance traversed, were abolished and the single rate made uniform at five cents for all distances under three thousand miles. In the same act was a provision for the adoption of the English system of prepayment by means of adhesive stamps, but this was stricken out at the last minute.

But if Congress was so conservative in making innovations, the various postmasters throughout the country were at least awake to the advantages which the postage stamp system offered. Hence the various "Postmasters' Provisionals," which might never have appeared if the clause spoken of had not been stricken from the law of 1845. This law also accounts for their being all of five or ten cent denomination—the first for single letters, as already noted; the second for double letters or those going beyond the limit of three thousand miles.

Among these provisionals, the best known and most common is perhaps that of the Postmaster of New York, Robert H. Morris. It is fortunate for the purpose of this article that this stamp was of private make since it can therefore be illustrated without hindrance from the Post Office Inspectors. Many foreign countries are vastly more liberal than our own in this regard, allowing reproductions of their stamps for legitimate, illustrative or educational purposes; but our own is so strict that the outlawed and demonetized issues of 1847 and 1851-7 cannot even be reproduced.

This handsome stamp made its appearance in July, 1845, and was the first stamp on Government mail to bear a portrait. Naturally, perhaps, the subject selected was America's first citizen, the greatest man the Republic had produced up to that time—the immortal George Washington. It was not till a year later that its only companion Postmaster's stamp to bear a portrait—that of Millbury, Mass.,—made its appearance, the idea as well as the portrait being acknowledged to have been suggested by the receipt of mail from New York bearing the stamps of that office.





When at last Congress found that the postage stamp was a thing that could not be evaded, it finally passed an act on March 3, 1847, authorizing the preparation and use of the Government stamps, and prohibiting the further use of any issued by postmasters on and after July 1 of that year. The Government stamps were not ready until August 5, however, when they appeared in the two values we should expect from the postal rates—five and ten cents. In this issue and that of 1869, as will be seen. Washington's features did not appear upon the value in most common use for letter mail, as they have in all other cases, barring the commemorative series. Other values, however, were honored with his portrait in the early issues, most all being the same as that upon the New York stamp. This portrait is known as "Stuart's portrait," or more accurately, perhaps, as the "Athenæum portrait."

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14 F...	.35	*89	.08	*126	.10
15 F...	.35	90	.04	134	.01
16 F...	.35	91	.06	135	.01
42	.13	92	.14	136	.01
43	.10	93	.02	136a ...	.15
44	.06	94	.02	137	.06
45	.02	*94	.04	138	.06
45a ...	.05	95	.04	139	.25
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The portrait itself was finished in due course, but the background was never filled in, and in that condition it still remains. At the same time he also painted a portrait of Martha Washington, which remains in like condition. Concerning these portraits Miss Stuart says: "When General and Mrs. Washington took their last sittings, my father told Washington it would be of great importance to him to retain the originals, to which Washington replied: 'Certainly, Mr. Stuart, if they are of any consequence to you; I shall be perfectly satisfied with copies from your hand, as it will be impossible for me to sit again at present.' The copies made from the originals were for Mount Vernon. A short time after these last pictures were finished, the President called on my father to express the perfect satisfaction of Mrs. Washington and himself at his success."

The above extract apparently refutes the common story to the effect that Stuart's first trial did not suit him and was erased; that the next attempt was the one under discussion, which was so successful that the artist did not want to part with it, keeping it "unfinished" as an excuse, while he made copies of it.

After the death of Stuart these two portraits were offered by his widow to the State of Massachusetts (the artist's home was in Boston) for the sum of one thousand dollars, which offer was declined. Subsequently an English gentleman offered ten thousand dollars for the pair; but while Mrs. Stuart was hesitating, thinking they ought to remain in America, he became impatient and departed. Some time after that, an offer of fifteen hundred dollars was accepted from the Washington Association and other gentlemen who, in 1831, presented them to the Boston Athenæum, whence the name usually applied to them. Here they remained for fifty years, when they were transferred to the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, where they now are.

We give a cut of the Millbury stamp to show how much it does *not* look like Washington, although supposed to have been copied from the New York stamp.

We also include a cut of one of the New York Carriers' stamps, for practically the same reason. The latter belonged first to a private delivery company, which so cut into the Post Office business that the Government practically bought them out by employing them, adding the name "United States" to the former title of "City Despatch Post." These were really the first stamps in this country and

the first following the example of Great Britain. The Confederate States likewise chose to represent Washington on one of their issues, as will be seen by the 20c green of the 1863 issue (Scott's A9), and adopted the Athenæum portrait, which was very well reproduced.

It might be added, in passing, that the head of Martha Washington on the current 8 cent stamp is from the companion portrait of the Athenæum Washington, which was spoken of above.

But one other portrait of Washington has been employed upon the United States stamps. The ninety cent values of both the 1857 and 1861-8 issues present features of quite a different aspect from the venerable face of Stuart's. The original was a full length figure of Washington painted by John Trumbull, another American artist. He knew the General at the outbreak of the Revolution, when he was about forty-five and in the prime of life, and was with him again toward the close of the war in 1782-3. No other artist saw more of Washington under circumstances so favorable to a study of his person and character, and none was honored by him with more sittings.

Trumbull, in his autobiography, says: "In 1792 I was again in Philadelphia, and there painted the portrait of General Washington which is now placed in the gallery at New Haven, the best, in my estimation, which exists, in his heroic military character. The city of Charleston, South Carolina, intrusted William R. Smith, one of the Representatives of South Carolina, to employ me to paint for them a portrait of the *great man,* and I undertook it *con amore,* (as the commission was unlimited), meaning to give his military character, in the most sublime moment of its exertion—the evening previous to the battle of Princeton; when viewing the vast superiority of his approaching enemy, and the impossibility of again crossing the Delaware, or retreating down the river, he conceives the plan of returning by a night march into the country from which he had just been driven, thus cutting off the enemy's communications, and destroying his depot of stores and provisions at Brunswick. I told the President my object; he entered into it warmly, and as the work advanced, we talked of the scene, its dangers, its almost desperation. He *looked* the scene again, and I happily transferred to the canvas the lofty expression of his animated countenance, the high resolve to conquer or to perish. The result was, in my opinion, eminently successful, and the

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Trumbull claimed that his portrait represented Washington as he knew him, and as he was known to his associates, the members of his military family. He said his aim was "to preserve the *military* character of the great original," and that "in the countenance of the hero the *likeness,* the mere map of his face, was not all that was attempted." It is a good portrait, and many artists affirm that, from internal evidence, it is doubtless the truest likeness of the man.

We now come to the third representation of Washington, the profile bust. The Act of Congress approved March 3, 1851, reduced the single rate for letters to three cents, and the new issue required in consequence shows the features of the first President in this form upon the stamp for ordinary correspondence. A list of the stamps bearing this profile bust is as follows:

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This likeness is taken from the marble statue of Washington in the State Capitol at Richmond, Virginia. The story of the statue is as follows: The General Assembly of Virginia, soon after the declaration of peace that closed the Revolution, decreed a statue to General Washington, to be placed in the Capitol in Richmond, and "to be the finest marble and best workmanship." Jefferson and Franklin, being then in Paris, were authorized to select the artist, and they chose Jean Antoine Houdon. Concerning him Jefferson wrote: "He is the finest statuary of his age," and again: "He is without rivalship in it, being employed in all parts of Europe in whatever is capital."

It was necessary for Houdon to see Washington to take his figure, and the latter wrote him: "It will give me pleasure, Sir, to welcome you to this seat of my retirement, and whatever I have or can procure that is necessary to your purposes or convenient or agreeable to your wishes, you must freely command, as inclination to oblige you will be among the last things in which I shall be found deficient."

Houdon reached Mount Vernon on October 3, 1785, and remained a fortnight, during which time he took a cast of the face, head and upper part of the body, and minute measurements of his person, and studies of the costume of the period which Washington daily wore.

The artist was to receive as compensation for the statue and pedestal, 25,000 livres, or $5,000, and his expenses for the trip to Virginia reimbursed to him. In addition, his life was to be insured during the time of his absence from France. The contract allowed him three years for the completion of the statue, and it was done within the time. The State Capitol, however, was not finished, so that the statue was not shipped until its site was ready for it. It was finally erected in the quadrangle of the Capitol on May 14, 1796.

The statue is a remarkably fine piece of chiseling, the treatment of the face being so delicate that it needs but the flush of natural color to make it absolutely lifelike. It presents the figure erect, the head uncovered, the sword on the left, the cane in the right hand, and the fasces and plough at his side. It is exact life size—six feet two inches in height. Those acquainted with Washington have pronounced this statue the best representation of his person which exists. Lafayette, on his visit to America in later years, pronounced it a "facsimile of Washington's person." It therefore well deserves the place which has been given it upon the stamps of our country.

Beside the adhesive stamps, the Houdon bust has been placed upon all the envelope stamps bearing Washington's head. All the Civil War revenues, also, had Stuart's portrait as an invariable center piece down to 1875. On the proprietary issues from 1875 to 1881, however, Houdon's profile bust appears. The Stuart portrait will likewise be found upon a beer stamp of 1878, a tobacco stamp of 1868, a snuff stamp of 1872, and a few stamps for imported cigars.

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Complaint—While the resumption of mail relations with different countries of the world that was discontinued in consequence of the war is a hopeful indication yet it is evident that there remains important work of readjustment from the viewpoint of the stamp folk who claim the world as their oyster. The extension of different branches of the service is recorded in the orders issued from the departments and all this is pleasing. In passing, it is to be recorded that beginning February 1st, 1919, a parcel post service to Siam was established. We have had complaints from several quarters that the exporting of stamps is being interfered with, perhaps through misinterpretation of the provisions of the special export licenses. Cases as reported to us reverse each other. We can understand how some confusion has resulted among postmasters in view of the fact that at Washington on February 1st, 1919, the War Trade Board announced the withdrawal, revision or confirmation of special export RAC licenses. Four licenses "now in effect governing exportations to foreign countries" were summarized by the department on February 1st, but as some further instructions have emanated from Washington, we advise that the stamp man who does any exporting of stamps take up the question involving his shipments with his postmaster, who, in the case of any uncertainty as to his procedure is obliged to refer the points involved to Washington. We notice that a number of foreign countries are levying an additional charge on parcel post packages delivered within their borders.

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Close—From a correspondent we have received a label that has a strong resemblance in design to the five cent U. S. postage due stamp, first type. The stamp is lithographed in brown and around the large central "5" is the inscription, "American District Messenger Co." Over the number is "Paid" and below is "Cents." There is an imprint in tiny lettering at the lower margin: "Spike Bros. & Co., Tacoma." We mention this label as a first cousin to a stamp even though its uses were not such as to allow the stamp to claim philatelic recognition. Correspondents from time to time send in many labels that are just lacking the philatelic touch, although nowadays there are so many full-fledged stamps to vie for collecting favor that the side line that is philatelic only by suggestion is given little attention.

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Crushing—The following letter speaks for itself: "Well, well, you sophisticated fellows fell for the 'thoroughly up-to-date game' of the *Ladies' Home Journal* which is 'the guessing of objects on the new three-cent stamp'. Now I will swear that you do not try to please yourself with the contents of your paper. I am particularly struck with the question and answer, 'What is good for only one trip? A stamp,' in view of the fact that I have just received in an auction lot a stamp that twice before I had owned. It has made a number of trips since years ago it left my possession the first time. To own this stamp for the third time establishes no record either, I should say, as the recurrence of certain scarce stamps in the stamp mart must mean that by confidence, the stamp here and there may have the same owner a good many times."

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Coming—We are pleased to notice that the local societies whose activities have been much curtailed and in a few instances entirely suspended during the war period are being restored to pristine vigor. The local organization of stamp collectors while primarily a source of philatelic pleasure for the members possesses great possibilities as a stamp advertiser. Mr. A. F. Henkels writes: "The regular meeting of the Philadelphia Stamp Club of March 4th, 1919, has been designated as American Philatelic Society night. Special and appropriate entertainment has been provided and all the A. P. S. members residing in Philadelphia and vicinity have been invited to attend. Most of the local members of the A. P. S. are members also of the Philadelphia Stamp Club and so the Club has thought it proper to extend the hand of fellowship to the members of our foremost society, trusting that the existing bond of friendship between the two organizations may be more firmly cemented."

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Correct—To the several correspondents who have reported the "United States Postal Agency, Siberia" military postmarks, we wish to say that the third assistant postmaster general informs us that under date of September 28th, 1918, he announced that a postal agency had been established in that country. The several forms of marking employed by this agency have been described. The recall of our troops from Siberia would mean the discontinuance of the agency, it is fair to assume.

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Confirmed—A correspondent who subscribes himself as an old-time collector says that he was much interested in the remarks of J. W. Scott, as quoted in this column previously on the Two Sicilies Bomba head set. He says: "I paid twenty-five cents to L. W. Durbin of Philadelphia in 1879 for a copy of his catalogue published in the same year and upon again consulting this relic, I find that the Bomba issue is priced from five to thirty cents each. As a boy, these stamps were popular with me but not with my companions, as a rule, and I believe that I was one of the first specialists as I had duplicates of some of these stamps in my album, although this deviation from the paths of regularity exposed me to the taunts of the young philatelic puritans. The quotation on the five grani red used was ten cents; and it is now quoted one hundred and fifty times as much. My greatest piece of extravagance was the payment of a quarter for a ten groschen green of Hanover. Never fear, I am not going to submit a list of comparative catalogue quotations."

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Comment—The other day we had the privilege of inspecting a good old collection that had been resurrected by a collector who again feels the "urge" of philately. The catalogue value of many of the stamps in his fifth edition International Album is now dollars where it had been cents in 1880 when the collection chiefly was made. However, there was shadow with the sunshine because many of best stamps were in a condition not to be tolerated in select philatelic circles. What impressed us about the collection were certain little cards or labels that were pasted alongside of several of the scarcer stamps on which was written in the hand of a dealer dead these many years: "This stamp is warranted genuine," with his signature. We remember that many of the old dealers advertised that they were willing to furnish testimonials as to the genuineness of the stamps that they sold, but we do not remember having seen rather ordinary stamps treated to this distinction before. From our observation, it follows that collectors did not seek to avail themselves of the opportunity to have their rare stamps vouched for by the dealer in the manner indicated. We are not referring to the initialing of the stamps on their backs.

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RIKSDALER.—The unit of currency in Sweden until 1878 when it was superseded by the krona. At first the riksdaler was divided into 48 skillingbanco and was worth about 42c. In 1858 it was divided into 100 öre and its value was then about 30c.

RIN.—The value shown on some of the stamps of Japan. Ten rin are equal to a sen which, in turn, is equal to about ½c in American money.

RIO DE ORO.—(River of Gold), A Spanish possession in West Africa having an area of 70,000 square miles and a population of about 130,000. Postage stamps were first issued in 1905.

RIO HA HA.—A small town in the province of Magdalena, Colombia, at which a number of provisional stamps were made locally from ordinary printers' type in 1901 during a temporary shortage of the regular issue.

RIZEH.—A town of Asia Minor on the Black Sea, 40 miles east of Trebizond, with a population of only about 3000. Since 1909 the stamps used in the Russian consular post office established there have been specially overprinted "Rizeh".

R. M.—A watermark found in some of the stamps of the 1896-97 issue of Mexico—sometimes in conjunction with an eagle. The letters are an abbreviation for "Republica Mexicana" (Republic of Mexico).

R. N. S.—These letters, in monogram form, are overprinted on many of the stamps of the Indian state of Bussahir. They are the initials of Tika Raghunath Singh, son of the present Rajah, who was the organiser and former director of the country's postal system.

R. O.—An overprint found upon certain Turkish stamps intended for use in Eastern Roumelia. The letters stand for "Roumelia Orientale" i. e. Eastern Roumelia.

II. A watermark shown in the two stamps issued in Uruguay in 1909. The letters are for "Republica Oriental"—an ancient name for the country.

ROBERTSPORT.—One of the towns of the Republic of Liberia which has its own special registration stamps.

RODI.—One of the Aegean Islands which, since it came under Italian dominion in 1913, has had its own distinctive issue of postage stamps.

ROMAGNA.—The name given to the provinces of Bologna, Ferrara, Forli, and Ravenna, in Italy, which before 1859 formed part of the States of the Church. In that year these provinces seceded from the Pontifical States and special stamps were issued. These had a very short life for they were soon superseded by the stamps of Sardinia and, a few years later, by those for the kingdom of Italy.

ROMAGNE.—The Italian name for Romagna as shown upon the stamps issued by that federation of provinces.

ROMAN STATES.—One of the names by which the group of Italian states formerly subject to the temporal authority of the Vatican are known. The other names covering the same group are States of the Church or the Pontifical States. Special postage stamps for these states were first issued in 1852 and they were not finally suppressed until 1870.

ROMANA.—A local rendering of Roumania as shown upon many of the stamps of that country.

ROMANIA.—Another form for Roumania which has appeared on all stamps issued since 1885 and a few earlier ones.

ROMAN TYPE.—This is the ordinary upright type in which most newspapers, books, and magazines are printed and which has frequently been used in surcharging postage stamps.

ROUAD IS.—An island in the eastern Mediterranean now administered by France and for which special stamps have been issued since 1916.

ROUBLE.—The unit of value in Russia. A rouble is divided into 100 kopecs and in normal times is worth about 50c in United States currency.

ROUGH PERFORATION.—A term used to distinguish certain stamps from others of similar design and color having "clean-cut perforation". These differences in the appearance of the perforation often form the points of distinction between separate printings or the work of different perforating machines.

ROUGH IMPRESSION.—A term used to differentiate certain stamps from others printed from the same plates. Thus apart from the perforation it is possible to distinguish the 1872 stamps of Roumania printed in Paris from the later printings made in Roumania itself. In the former all details of the design are sharp and clear while in the latter they are rough and inferior.

ROULETTE.—This is a form of perforation in which small slits are cut into the paper between the stamps instead of holes being punched as in ordinary perforation. The cuts may be straight, curved, or zig-zag, and they are usually made by a number of small wheels or discs properly spaced so that a whole sheet, or at any rate several rows can be rouletted at once.

Sometimes the cuts are colored, this form being known as "rouletting in colored lines". Though this is not true rouletting, as the slits are not made with a wheel, its effect is the same. This style of separation can only be used in the case of stamps printed from separate blocks or cliches. Between each row of cliches thin strips of metal "printers' rule" are placed, these metal strips being the merest trifle higher than the surface of the stamp plate. Thus, when the stamps are printed the edges of these metal strips also receive a film of ink, and as they are slightly raised, they at the same time cut small slits in the paper.

ROUMANIA.—A kingdom in southeast Europe having an area of 49,250 square miles and a population of about six millions. Postage stamps were first issued in 1858.

ROUMANIAN LEVANT. — Roumania, in common with many other

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UNITED STATES.—In our chronicle of last week we mentioned the new 3c stamp about to be issued and was able to give a few meager details that reached us from Washington. We are now in receipt of a letter from the Post Office Department, dated February 7th, replying to a letter which we wrote over a month previous and in this we are informed that "a Victory postage stamp of 3c denomination is under preparation and will probably be issued within a few weeks." We will furnish further details just as soon as we can obtain definite advice. The stamps will without doubt be printed in sheets of four hundred and at least four plates, we judge, will be made; probably more.

While purchasing stamps, recently, from one of the Philadelphia Post Offices we found a sheet of the current 3c Type IV which appeared to be printed upon a purple surface paper. This may be due to a dirty roller. We, however, find the coloring extending about one-half of an inch beyond the stamps on each margin in such a regular manner that we are under the impression that some of the ink has been adhering to the plate in places where it should remain clean and this in turn has been transferred to the roller.

Dr. William Evans reports that he has seen a sheet of the current 2c stamp "with part of eight stamps printed diagonally on the left marginal strip of the sheet". Strange things are most certainly happening at the Bureau. What next? The same correspondent also informs us that he has found the 6c 1869 with double grill although we believe that this variety has been known before.

Mr. B. K. Miller writes that he has located an imperforated horizontal pair of the 1910 1c Franklin, single line watermark from the bottom of the sheet, showing arrow and guide line where on we find the initials "J. P. P." under the right stamp. The plate number not being attached he is unable to state as to what plate this pair is from. These initials, we should say off hand, are those of the employee of the Bureau who did the transferring from the transfer roll to the plate, but why he put his initials in this place instead of at the corner we cannot say.

Mr. Martin W. Hoose has been the fortunate finder of one of our current envelopes showing an impression of both the 1c and 2c in the same corner. Both impressions are embossed clearly and are in their correct colors, one overlapping the other about 3mm. The cover was used from a small New York town and was evidently accepted by the Post Office at the 3c rate. We recall a dealer offering a similar envelope some months back in an unused condition.

Mr. Charles M. Breder sends us an official envelope sent out by the Post Office at Newark, N. J., with a rubber stamp impression reading "Our Patriotic Duty—Purchase * War Savings Stamps—Bearing 4% interest compounded —quarterly, and * Thrift Stamps 25 cents each,—from any Letter Carrier.—This is a convenient way for family savings." We also wish to thank Mr. Breder for information regarding freak perforations and envelopes.

Mr. E. B. Power, of Stanley Gibbons Inc., has shown us a very beautiful copy of the 5c Brattleboro on the entire cover. While this is nothing new it is an item so seldom met with that it is worthy of mentioning when we run across the like in our travels.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.—There is a notable scarcity of the 1s War stamps chronicled and evidently the number issued was very limited. Captain Jolliffe kindly shows us several unused and used examples of the two lower denominations, also a mint copy of the 1s., on which the letter "p" of the overprint approximates to an inverted "d." This is apparently to be remarked in several instances throughout the sheets.—*Stamp Collecting.*

GOLD COAST.—Mr. Hugo Griebert has shown us the following stamps which vary somewhat from the last printing of this colony: ½d, 2d, 3d and 6d. The shades are of a softer color than the previous printings.

HAYTI.—Mr. A. W. Dunning and Mr. A. C. Roessler have shown us the following new surcharges of this country:
Scott's #192, sur. 1 ct. GOURDE, in red.
Scott's #212, " 5 ct. GOURDE, in red.
Scott's #170, " 2 cts. GOURDE, in red.
The type of the latter surcharge is the same as type B of the 1917 printing.

MOZAMBIQUE COMPANY.—Mr. Ashley C. LeDuc has shown us copies of three new provisionals issued about Dec. 1st, 1918. They are the current:
½ cent surcharged on 700 reis.
2½ cent surcharged on 500 reis.
5 cent surcharged on 400 reis.
Stamp Collecting adds the information that according to a correspondent "this is purely a provisional issue for Beira (the Capital Town of the Mozambique Company's territories in Portuguese East Africa). The surcharging was carried out at Beira, and the stamp was on sale only at that town. The provisionals were placed on sale about the middle of November, but have already been rendered obsolete by the handsome pictorials described in these columns a few weeks ago.
The numbers of provisionals surcharged are:
42,000 of ½ cent. No errors reported.
42,000 of 2½ cent. No errors reported.
21,000 of 5 cent. No errors reported.
and the printing was done in sheets of 28."

PALESTINE.—As the result of our inquiries, and in explanation of the status of the "O.P.D.A." labels, described in our issue for January 11, is now forthcoming. They are, in fact, fiscals, the initials signifying "Ottoman Public Debt Association," and it is stated that the stamps in question are used in connexion with the recovery of the taxes on salt. Sums so recovered go towards the payment of interest on loans to the Turkish Government by this country.
We learn that four new values were added to the current perforated E.E.F. series on or about December 22, 1918, London printed and identical in design, watermark and perforation with the remaining seven denominations at present in use (*i. e.*, eleven in all).
3 milliemes, pale brn. 10 piastres ultramarine.
9 piastres, ochre. 20 piastres, slate grey.
—*Stamp Collecting.*

SPAIN.—A Spanish correspondent of M. Champion furnishes particulars concerning a very interesting error of colour which has just been discovered. A sheet of 100 stamps of the face value of 4 pesetas each has been printed in the colour of the 1 peseta. This sheet was found among a quantity of 1 peseta stamps recently purchased by the Spanish American Bank, Madrid, and the error was only observed when the stamps were about to be perforated with the Bank's initials. On the discovery being made, every precaution was taken by the Bank officials to prevent any of the stamps being commandeered, and the matter was reported to the Post Office. One dozen examples were sent to the Government Printing Office, for purposes of inquiry, and consequently only eighty-eight copies remain of what will be recognized as a very desirable error of colour.—*Stamp Collecting.*

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2c	.07	.04
3c	.04	.03
6c	.04	.04
12c	.15	.12
30c	.40	.30
30c	.40	.30
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(American Philatelic Service.)

The story of how a postmaster on a small Dutch island makes his own postage stamps and endeavors to sell them at twenty times their face value is an illustration of how the hobby known as philately has become a source of revenue for some of the minor governments of the world.

This postal official's name is H. A. Williamsen, and he handles the mail which passes through the post office at Curacao, one of Holland's colonial possessions in the West Indies. He is aware that there are hundreds of persons, grown-ups as well as children, who hanker after rare and curious postage stamps. He knows that King George of England is a collector, and that Nicholas Romanoff was a philatelist while on Russia's old throne.

The war has helped Mr. Williamsen's postal activities, although seemingly it harmed them. Apparently it had done them injury by reason of the fact that it cut off from Curacao that island colony's customary supply of current franking adhesives sent forward from the Netherlands overseas. The 1-cent denomination at Curacao became exhausted. Conditions in Holland were not normal. Facing this contingency, Postmaster Williamsen used his ingenuity, with the result that today this official has postage stamp collectors somewhat puzzled.

First, Mr. Williamsen brought out his stocks of 2- and 2½-cent values and bisected them. Each half was then permitted to be used as a 1-cent stamp. Even this expedient, however, did not supply a sufficient number of 1-cent stamps, and the postmaster was obliged to go into the stamp-making industry for himself.

He had prepared some sheets of buff paper, thicker than the usual kind from which stamps are made, and each sheet was divided into forty squares separated with perforations just as the ordinary labels are. On each small square he had printed, in black, CURACAO across the top just below the margin; the figure "1" in the center, and the word "cent" in smaller type along the lower margin. Parallel with the right-hand margin and running upwards he had placed his own initials, H. A. W., but without periods. His initials guaranteed the authenticity of these stamps, he explained to inquirers.

According to a letter received from Mr. Williamsen by A. C. Roessler, of East Orange, N. J., about 51,000 of these provisionals were placed in circulation. "But, of course," the postmaster's explanation reads, "a great part of the stock is lost to the philatelic dealers, as the stamps have been used principally to prepay the postage on printed matter (newspapers, visiting cards, etc.) circulating in the domestic service of the colony and addressed to parties who are not interested in stamps."

Postmaster Williamsen discloses his knowledge that there are persons outside of Curacao who are interested in stamps, however, as he offers to sell 2,000 of these home-made stamps for $200 a thousand, or at the rate of twenty cents each—whereas over the post office counters in Curacao they sold at 1 cent each.

The uncancelled stamps are the ones which Mr. Williamsen purposes to sell. The cancelled ones, so he writes, are hard to get. "In my capacity as postmaster," to quote his letter to Mr. Roessler, "I tell you that it will be very difficult for you to get a quantity of importance of the used stamps, as they are very rare."

These crude, but interesting war stamps, will bring to the island of Curacao at least $400 in American money if Postmaster Williamsen's offer is accepted. This amount of American capital, which would be furnished eventually by American philatelists through purchases of the stamps from American dealers, would reach Curacao in return for a number of large sheets of paper each printed 40 times with one design and each inscribed 40 times with Postmaster Williamsen's initials.

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The Edgewood Stamp Co., in our summary this week, shows 32 new subscriptions to its credit, a splendid achievement in connection with our subscription campaign. Chas. Christensen who has been only a few weeks in the running secured 8 since our last list was published and his total is now 35, pushing the Covert Stamp Co. closely for second place. The work done by the Apex Stamp Co., Silas Weatherby and Ted J. Tyrrell (each of whom secured 6) is worthy of recognition. The most active contestants for honors since our last report was made are:—

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(Continued from page 73.)

European Powers maintains post-offices at certain towns and ports in the Turkish Empire. In 1896 the stamps used in these offices were surcharged with new values in Turkish currency but their use does not appear to have been long continued.

ROUMELIE ORIENTALE.— An inscription, meaning Eastern Roumelia, shown on the stamps for this country issued in 1881 and 1884. The same words are also found overprinted on a 10 paras Turkish stamp used in Eastern Roumelia in the early part of 1881.

ROYAL NIGER COMPANY.—The Royal Niger Company Chartered and Limited occupied and administered the territory first known as the Oil River Protectorate and then as the Niger Coast Protectorate until it was taken over by the Imperial Government of Great Britain on December 28th, 1899.

R. S.—These initials in the form of a monogram are found upon many of the stamps of the Indian state of Bussahir, and have the same meaning as those described under "R. N. S."

RUANDA.—Certain Belgian Congo stamps with this name overprinted in violet are occasionally met with. They are said to have been issued by a postal employee as a private speculation.

RUE.—A control mark applied to some of the stamps of Ecuador in 1902 for the reason described under "Guayas". What particular province or district used this mark has not been definitely ascertained.

RUE, DE LA, AND CO.—A well known firm of London stamp engravers and printers who have produced the vast majority of British and British colonial stamps issued during the last sixty years.

RULED PAPER.—Paper ruled with faint colored lines. Some of the stamps of the 1887 issue of Mexico were printed on ruled paper.

RUPEE.—The unit of value in India, Ceylon, East Africa and Uganda, Mauritius, Seychelles, etc. In India and its States (and formerly also in Zanzibar, East Africa, etc.) the rupee consists of 16 annas and has a nominal value of 32c in American money. In Ceylon, Mauritius, etc., it has the same nominal value but is divided into 100 cents.

RUPIA.—The unit of currency in Portuguese India, being simply a variation of rupee. The rupia is divided into 16 tangas (annas) and is worth about 32c in American money.

RUPIE.—The unit of value in the erstwhile German colony in East Africa. Until 1895 the rupie was divided into 64 pesas but after that date it was divided into 100 heller. Its value was the same as that of the Indian rupee.

RURAL POST STAMPS. — (See "Land Post").

RURAL STAMPS.—(See "Russian Rural Stamps").

RUSH MILLS.—The paper mills at Northampton, England, originally belonging to Mr. Stacey Wise, at which the paper used for the first British postage stamps was manufactured.

RUSSIA.—An enormous territory extending over eastern Europe, the whole of northern Asia and part of Central Asia. It first issued postage stamps in 1857.

RUSSIAN CHINA.—For many years Russia has maintained post offices in various Chinese ports and cities and since 1899 all the stamps used in these offices have borne distinctive overprints.

RUSSIAN LEVANT.—The stamps of Russian Levant are in a somewhat different category to those of the Powers simply maintaining Levantine post offices, for part of the Levant proper is Russian territory. The first stamps for this district were issued in 1864 and the earlier issues were supplied to the Russian Steam Navigation Company, which carried mails between Odessa and the Russian and Turkish coasts on the Black Sea as well as to some ports of the Mediterranean. In later years the stamps were also supplied to offices maintained on Turkish soil. Since 1900 these special stamps have been superseded by the ordinary stamps of Russia overprinted with new values in Turkish currency.

RUSSIAN RURAL STAMPS.—The name by which the so-called "local" stamps of Russia are more correctly described. These are produced by the various "zemstvos" or rural authorities for use in the outlying districts untouched by the regular governmental post.

RUSTCHUK.—A town in Bulgaria which issued provisional postage due stamps in 1901, these being created by overprinting certain of the regular postage stamps then current with a large "T".

RUSTENBURG.—A small town in the Transvaal about 70 miles due west of Pretoria. When the town was relieved by General Baden-Powell in June, 1900 temporary postage stamps were made by overprinting the Boer stamps found in the local office with the letters "V. R." The overprint was made by means of a handstamp.

RUYTER COMMEMORATIVE ISSUE.—A series of three stamps issued in the Netherlands in 1907 to mark the three hundreth anniversary of the birth of the famous Dutch admiral M. A. de Ruyter.

(To be continued.)

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—Dealers who would like to receive a new price list should apply to the Midland Stamp Co., Midland, Ontario. This firm is a newcomer in the wholesale field, but there is every indication that it will occupy a substantial place in the stamp trade.

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—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from Matt Simuvich and F. C. DePuy (4).

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By Everett Van Voorhis.

In your issue of Feb. 8, I enjoyed reading Vol. 1, No. 1, of "Whisperings & Whimperings of a Philatelic Nut," edited by Cotton C. Doyle. I do not know this party, but his mention of the Brockett & Newton match stamp, die II not being as scarce as the die I is true. His value $.20 for a fine specimen comes quite near the mark, while type I is catalogued at $1.00 and is much the scarcer. The last quotation in Scott's catalogue before it was removed was $.25. Why it was taken out is one of the mysteries, as it is not rare or even scarce.

From this collectors have thought it rare and in most cases have priced it at much more than type I. I have seen it priced as high as $3.00 on an approval sheet.

To understand the difference between type I and type II as explained in Scott's catalogue is simple enough, but to one not familiar with match and medicine stamps and not having one or the other to compare with, it is not so easy after all. Type I is readily recognized by the larger letters, B. & N., which fill up the frame space. When Frank E. Clark sold the die of his stamp to Brockett & Newton the initials F.E.C. were altered to B. & N. The two letters were made to occupy the space of three as formerly, this of course made the wide die which is known as type I.

Later a new die must have been made, as Frank E. Clark used eight million stamps and the plate must have worn considerably, as many stamps are found which show they have been printed from a worn plate. Brockett & Newton used twelve millions and if a new die was made or even a retouched plate was used, it seemed to be only natural to re-engrave the B. & N. in a smaller space and not try to fill the space as occupied by the three letters F. E. C. This is type II, which is quite common.

Match & Medicine stamps are a particular hobby of mine and I would like to have other collectors write on the subject and bring these interesting stamps before the collecting public, as to my mind, one would have to go a long way to find anything so fascinating as collecting these stamps.

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THE ROCK ISLAND MATCH STAMP.

By CHRISTOPHER WEST.

It is altogether fitting that the match stamp section of a series of articles upon the individual stamps of the private die group of U. S. Revenues should commence with the story of the most famous of all the match stamps—the Rock Island.

Because this stamp has been unobtainable to most collectors in the past and will be no less so in the future, detracts nothing from the charm and glamour which it has always possessed. The greatest height of satisfaction that many M & M collectors have hoped to attain has been the acquisition of this little piece of paper, a mere scrap hardly a square inch in size, but bearing the magic words "Rock Island".

Fortunately, much of its history is known, and altho there are yet some points regarding it to be cleared up, they are relatively unimportant. The present writer can add little to what has been known about the stamp for many years: the new data mostly corroborates the old.

On April 6, 1868, William C. Welch, who had been employed in the grocery of Henry Dart's Sons in the city of Rock Island, Illinois, most of the time for the previous ten years, and one Gregg, also an employee in the same grocery for several years, bought the retail business of the Dart concern which was located on the south side of what was then Illinois St. (now 2nd Avenue), near Washington St. (now 18th St.) in Rock Island. Welch & Gregg soon became Welch and Bro. and the latter conducted the grocery business at the same locality as late as 1876.

The Dart grocery was located within 200 feet of the site of the Rock Island match factory. Welch probably supplied the capital for the match business and quite likely the manufacture of matches ceased before he and Gregg purchased the grocery.

As early as 1859 Franklin H. Warren had a book store on Illinois St., Rock Island, near Washington St., and also near the Dart grocery.

The Rock Island city directory for 1866 lists William C. Welch and Francis A. Warren, and the firm of Warren & Welch, *American Match Works,* on the west side of Washington St., the fourth door north of Illinois St. This is the only reference to any Rock Island match business found in the Rock Island directories. In 1873 F. H. Warren is listed as a traveling agent, and in 1876 F. W. Warren appears as a traveler, in both cases residing on Buffalo St.

Commencing July 5, 1867, the Rock Island *Evening Argus* carried the following advertisement on its front page:

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F. H. Warren,
W. C. Welch.
Rock Island, May 31, 1867. d3m

The present writer has been unable to learn whether the factory burned down or whether the business was discontinued for another reason, or why the dissolution advertisement was dated May 31—two months earlier than the advertisement of July 5. It is believed that Warren was the active principal in the business and it is fairly certain he peddled the matches in Rock Island, in the adjoining city of Moline to the east, and in Davenport, Iowa, north of and just across the Mississippi River from Rock Island. Probably all of the comparatively few matches made were sold in these three cities. The life of the business was hardly more than one year.

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Hotel Harms now occupy the entire block between 2nd and 1st avenues.

The stamp is an upright rectangle of the standard size for the 3c to 10c revenues of the Civil War period (about 20x26 mm.) The principal feature of the design is an oval containing a beautifully engraved eagle with outspread wings perched upon a U. S. shield that rests on a hemisphere. The hemisphere bears the words ROCK ISLAND —ILLINOIS. AMERICAN MATCH CO. appears above, THREE—CENTS at the sides, and U.S. INTER. REV. below, with the figure "3" in each corner. The eagle and hemisphere are exactly the same as those on the 1c and 3c Hall & Ruckel medicine stamps and as the latter were first issued a year earlier, the Rock Island design was quite evidently copied from them. The stamp is a rather dark green and perforated 12.

The following data is taken from the Boston Revenue Book:—

Die approved Sept. 24, 1866.
First issued Oct. 31, 1866.
Last issued Oct. 31, 1866.
Total issue (old paper) 44,000.
170 stamps per sheet (17x10).

"Only one delivery was made of these stamps, as is shown above. The last printing was made on November 10, 1866, and left a balance on hand of 119,200, which were finally destroyed, as obsolete, when the silk paper was introduced."

The 44,000 stamps cost Warren & Welch just $1,200. This is a very small issue for match stamps and is the chief reason why the stamp is and always will be rare. Its existence was known in the early '70's—if not sooner—and its authenticity cannot be questioned. The 1874 edition of J. W. Scott's Revenue Stamp Album provided a place for it and as the years go by its rarity is being more and more appreciated. The standard catalog quotations reflect this unmistakably:—

1894	unpriced
1896	$40
1898	$50
1900	$100
1910	$125
1919	$125

In recent years several ordinary copies have changed hands at $100 and some years ago an off center copy brought $115 at auction. The writer has been able to trace less than a dozen copies, most of which are damaged. Many of them are also poorly centered and it seems doubtful if there are three perfect specimens in existence. The Ayer collection (Portland, Me.), contained a very fine Rock Island with gum —probably the only *unused* now extant. The used stamps were cancelled only by tearing when the box of matches was opened.

The latest specimen to be added to the meagre supply came on the market within a year in a most curious, not to say tragic, manner, as is shown by the letter of the man who unknowingly bought it.

"A young man, whom I had known as a collector, went to Chicago, there, after a few years, he was one of those to lose their lives on the ill-fated steamer Eastland, when it turned over in the Chicago River. All his belongings came into the possession of a relative, his wife also being among the victims. I happened to think of this man, and being able to get the address of his relative, I wrote to him, asking if he had the collection in his possession. He replied that he had, and that he would send it if I were interested and that I should make him an offer. Well, he sent it. I looked it over, not very closely, I admit, and a friend of mine, who is interested in stamps, and who had a little more experience than I in buying, also looked it over. He advised me to offer a certain amount. I offered more. The man accepted. When I began mounting the stamps in my album, I found quite a number of stamps I had thought of low value to be worth several dollars. But my greatest surprise came when I bumped into that Rock Island stamp. I looked at the stamp and then at the catalog quite a number of times before I could believe what I saw. But I was skeptical, so I wrote to MEEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS for information as to the probable genuineness of the stamp. They referred the matter to Mr. W. as an authority on these stamps. The rest you know. * * * *"

No doubt the reader will admit that "every little sticker has a romance of its own."

An imperforate Rock Island in buff was in the DeCoppet collection and another yellowish copy, perforated, is known. The former is thought to be a proof and the latter a changeling. The writer has never seen a plate proof of the stamp, but die proofs are known in several colors. Needless to say, they make excellent space-fillers for those M & M collectors whose love of the stamps is greater than the contents of their pocketbooks.

OUR BOOK AGENCIES.

We are very much gratified at the manner in which appreciation is being shown of the establishing of book agencies. We have received responses from various quarters that evidence appreciation of this new enterprise. In this connection we wish to say that while publicity will be given each week to the dealers in the trade centers who handle our publications, it will not be possible for us to carry the names of all our agents. There are many communities in which there are stamp clubs and where agencies could be maintained, though we cannot maintain standing notices. F. L. Tilson of Rutherford, N. J., a member of the local stamp club, will be our agent in that city and we shall be glad to hear from representatives of other stamp clubs.

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

—We feel quite complimented in that within the space of one week we have received two publications that are fashioned after the order of MEKEEL'S WEEKLY. We have mentioned elsewhere the *Concord Stamp Club Bulletin* and we have also to chronicle the *Philatelic Trader* from Parkersburg, W. Va., Perry D. Dye, Jr., editor and publisher. While the Concord paper is issued monthly, the*Trader* will be issued twenty-four a year. We take pleasure in recommending a perusal of both of these publications, and feel quite sure that a sample copy can be obtained on request. We may add that we have become so familiar with the form of the WEEKLY that these two papers find us in a frame of mind in which we are disposed to give them both a warm word of greeting.

—Elsewhere in this issue will be found the initial advertisement of W. T. Robey of Washington, D. C. Mr. Robey is secure in philatelic fame by having been the discoverer of the 24c aeroplane stamps with inverted center. He is a member of the A. P. S. and S. P. A. and expects to be a fixture in our advertising columns. He comes to us well recommended and we bespeak for him the patronage of our subscribers.

—Mr. E. C. Dodd, LaGrange, Ill., is taking an extended trip westward to the Coast and while primarily Mr. Dodd goes for relaxation, no doubt he will have an eye for business at the same time. He will return to his desk about April first.

—John Rausch, 2062 Bush St., San Francisco, Cal., would like to obtain a second-hand album for a crippled girl residing in Boonville, Mo., with whom he has been corresponding for some time, Mr. Rausch is prepared to decorate the album with stamps for a start, as well as to subscribe to the WEEKLY for her for one year. However, the WEEKLY will do its part in the way of a subscription if Mr. Rausch secures the album.

—We welcome to our advertising columns J. E. Guest of Minneapolis, Minn. We welcome him not only because of our intimate acquaintanceship with his successful business methods, but also for the reason that he is launching a new issues service. There is no reason why the United States should not be able to contribute a service of this kind to meet the needs of United States collectors. To do this requires both capital and brains and Mr. Guest will make a success of his venture.

—The collection of Mr. L. C. Hassler, Louisville, Ky., has just been bought by the Colonial Stamp Company, Chicago. Mr. Hassler's collection was a long time "in the making" and contained many fine things.

—The Washington State Philatelic Society held its seventh annual banquet on Saturday, February 15th, at the North-old Inn, Seattle. An opulent menu was discussed, couched in properly philatelic description. The speakers of the evening were Messrs. Nelson, the popular president of the society, Mr. Cecil Blogg, Dr. Hoffman, treasurer and a capital story-teller, Mr. Ewing, the industrious sales manager, and a number of others, chief among whom was Mr. Herbert Blogg, whose collecting experience dates back to 1869.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from G. A. Erickson and J. C. Alderson, M. D.

—A movement is on foot to organize a stamp society composed of collectors in the New Jersey lower county. Anyone interested can secure information from Harold E. Bisson, Salem, N. J.

—B. A. Turner, Greensburg, Ind., is unable to secure returns from the Huron Stamp Co., Bay City, Mich. Bay City, as well as Grand Rapids, is obtaining a reputation in these days that is not very creditable to it.

—G. A. Erickson, 4339 N. Humboldt, Minneapolis, Minn., reports that Alfred Reinhold, 322 34th Av., Milwaukee, Wis., pays no attention to letters sent him.

—The Concord (N. H.) Stamp Club *Bulletin* has been received. It is published by the United Stamp Societies, made up of societies in various cities and towns. It is built upon the plan of MEKEEL'S WEEKLY in four-page form.

—The auction advertisement of M. Ohlman, published Feb. 15 contained an error that is much regretted, though not the fault of the printer. Lot 143 should be numbered 148. We make this public correction in order that bidders may know that a mistake occurred. Mr. Ohlman advises us that on Lot 1009 the catalog value should be $6 and not $5.

—Col. Arthur P. S. Hyde has returned from service overseas with the A. E. F. and is now on duty with the General Staff,—Purchase, Storage and Traffic Division, with station in Washington. While on the other side, Colonel Hyde saw service at various points on the front between Chateau Thierry and Metz, and returned to this country early in November to join a new division being organized for service overseas. The signing of the armistice checked the War Department's plans for additional troops, and Colonel Hyde was assigned to the command of the Field Artillery Replacement Division, at Camp Zachary Taylor, Kentucky. Upon the completion of the demobilization of this division, the colonel was given his present assignment. His office is at 2524 Munitions Building, and he is living at 3601 Thirty-fifth Street, Northwest.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Wines—We have received a request for some details as to the use of the $20; $40; $50 and $100 wines stamps of the current issue which our correspondent says are not listed, but evidently he intended to say that they were not priced, as they are found on page 43 of the catalogue. We furnished particulars of the 1916 issue of the wine stamps at the time of their first appearance. The $20 stamps are in books of twenty subjects; the $40 in books of ten stamps; the $50 in books of eight and the $100, of four. These high values are on the order blank for "wines, cordials, etc.," and may be purchased at face in unused condition. We are given to understand that the used stamps are not likely to get into general collecting circulation because of the manner in which they are employed. The liquor manufacturers are supposed to send these stamps to the government with affidavit that they truly represent the tax payment on large quantities of product. This is the essential feature of the case which involves other details that ensure accuracy and honesty on the part of the tax payer. The assumption is that the stamps that are sent to the treasury department are kept in the files of the department as vouchers.

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Writes—From a reader in Hong Kong, we hear: "I see a good many high values of Asiatic stamps in used condition in the office of the company and here I must say that a revision upwards must be made in the catalogues in the prices of unused stamps of this section because of the high price of silver. They are too low and give a wrong impression, in consequence. What impresses me most in our mail are the Borneo covers with the pictorial stamps that are received in the mail, such as the one I enclose. It removes any idea that these stamps are for decorative purposes only! They meet a real postal need. There are several leisurely collectors here, one of whom I asked if he cared to receive your paper each week. He intimated that he did not as he wanted to keep stamp collecting from entering too largely in his calculations."

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Word—Writing from Colombo, Ceylon, a correspondent says: "I have not exactly found any philatelic haunts here but several collectors have shown me some fine semi-specialized collections of Cingalese, etc. Naturally, they are partizans of the fine old issues of their country and may be said to resent somewhat the comparative neglect of these stamps in some quarters. Prices for these issues are high but I think that condition is not the factor here that it is at home. Too, there are some great collections of surcharges, 1882 to 1892; and the single c a's are popular. While I have not been very enterprising in my stamp search, I want to add that my travels thus far in the east have yielded me no snaps. Philately is pretty standardized the world over, I think."

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Welcome—A good many months ago, we printed the observations of several correspondents on the ninety cent of 1869 on cover. One letter from a gentleman, along in years, told of the arrival of high values of the set on manuscripts that were received by the publishing firm for which he worked as office factotum. This letter was followed by one in which further particulars, interesting, if somewhat indefinite, were furnished by the same writer. We wrote asking him several questions but time elapsed and there was no answer. Now a letter has come from the daughter of our friend: "I am writing at the request of father who is not well. He says that he did not wish to give the idea that he removed any 90c stamps (1869) from packages or that the 'reader' did so. Bulky manuscripts that required over ninety cents in postage may not have had ninety cent stamps on them, as the stamps in question were not on sale at all the offices, as is known. However, that there were ninety cent stamps on manuscripts received by the firm may be confidently asserted." A ninety cent on a package would have a daub cancellation and would not have the satisfactory aspect of a ninety cent, 1869, on a letter to "foreign parts." The correspondent who wrote saying that he used from Boston a ninety cent, 1869, on a package of pension papers that he sent registered from Washington is invited to write us again with any further recollections that he may have on the subject.

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Wary—We have been directed to the following excerpt by a dealer from a letter from a South American correspondent: "I find that nowhere can I buy for you the 1910 registration Colombian Republic, neither the 1910 'A. R.' stamp. It is surprising how scarce these stamps of the 1910, bi-colored centennial set are and while I suppose upon further inquiry, I could get a better idea of their available quantity, I am sure that I cannot under the present conditions supply you with the two stamps under notice at a price consistent to your needs, based on your catalogue quotations, even though this year, the prices have been raised." He says too that the peso values of the 1910 set are closely held.

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War—A reader addressing us from Sydney, New South Wales, says: "Much interest is being shown in the disposition of the South Sea Islands captured from Germany and aside from the political aspects which must be taken for granted, the stamp possibilities are much in the minds of collectors. The opinion is that the former German colonies should be retained and placed in some cases under the administrative province of the Commonwealth. The demand for early Australians is as keen as ever and the market for the better things is strong, even though the interest in war stamps, particularly those just alluded to, has given another trend to the philatelic mind. The prices for these war stamps are firm and while they may not have reached the heights in the case of the rarities of those reported from London, there is every indication that they are on an ascending scale here."

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Warned—A letter from Habana says that in the shops where stamps are offered there is nothing of any particular class to be found. One may be able to pick up an early Cuban or two on the cover advantageously but the instances are isolated. It seems that there is usually some argument as to the genuineness of certain of the Cuban surcharges beginning with the Y 1/4 down to the three cent purple, 1902, inverted, etc., and not overlooking the Puerto Principe surcharges. The collector who infallibly can detect the genuine Puerto Principe surcharge could pick up some specimens at a reasonable price, it appears, but in the estimation of the correspondent, this is about the only chance to get good pickings in Habana. This testimony is almost a parallel to that offered by another reader who had occasion to travel through Cuba recently and whose views were reported at the time.

ONE CENT "OFFSET" PLATE 966.

BY LOUIS G. BARRETT.

On examining a sheet of 100 stamps from the lower right pane of plate 9661 of the new 1c offset process stamps, I found the following note-worthy varieties which appear to be constant on that pane of plate 9661:—

No. 7 shows right side of oval broken for a space of 1mm;

No. 31 has a white oblique dash nearly 1mm. long within the background of medallion close to inner S. W. side of oval, pointing up at the double chin. It is directly across the oval from the first inner laurel berry at left;

No. 35 shows a white spot directly in front of nose, and a smaller one appears in front of brow;

No. 63—the base of S of POSTAGE is interrupted by a dot of color cutting off the left serif;

No. 81—there is a conspicuous green spot about in the middle of the left numeral 1;

No. 100—the nose of Washington is most peculiar, being thin and pointed, the lower edge without any curvature indicating a nostril, and there is no return curve defining the lobe where nose joins the cheek. The pane shows a "phantom" plate-number below the interval between 93rd and 94th stamps, and a faint "arrow" below right side of 99th stamp.

The right plate number is surrounded by numerous dots of color, one to the N. W. and two to the S. W. of the 9; two between tops of the two 6's, and three at right of 1 at irregular intervals. Also ½mm. above the 61 there is a horizontal green line of variable thickness, but heavier at its right end.

The lower plate number shows two green dots between the bases of the two 6's, and both side and bottom imprints show the 1 spaced further from the second 6 than it ought to be.

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THE NEW ORLEANS "TICKET."

By WM. C. STONE.

The New Orleans "ticket" was chronicled in the *Philatelic Journal of America,* Vol. 10, page 74 (Sept., 1893). Two values, 2c and 5c, are described and illustrated and a quotation is also given from Moens' catalog which lists a 1c, altho' Mr. Mekeel thinks that may be an error for the 2c. The 5c is on pink card. I have owned a 1c for a number of years. I think Frank Bescher gave it to me at one of our conventions. Mine and those illustrated in the *P.J. of A.* are signed by Ed S. Rapier, Postage Clerk. *Der Philatelist,* the German magazine, has also illustrated them and translated Mekeel's article. The tickets were also signed in some cases by J. L. Riddell himself, I am informed by L. S. Knapp of New York, the New Orleans specialist.

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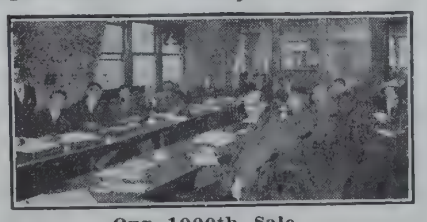

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UNITED STATES.—We note on mail coming from Chicago the new 1c surface print with the Shermack perforations. This means that the department has issued this new variety in imperforate sheets. The copy which we have seen is in a dark green shade.

1919 Unwatermarked, Imperforated.
1c dark green surface print.

From an ad of a New York dealer we see that he is offering the 1c endwise rotary coil, perforated 10 horizontally, on unwatermarked paper. While we have not seen this variety it is about time that it should be issued. Scott's catalogue for 1919 lists this variety but we know when this publication went to press the stamp had not been printed.

Mr. Edward Stern of the Economist Stamp Company writes us an interesting letter in regard to a double print of the current 3c offset production, from which we quote: "The first impression was from plate No. 9374 in such a light shade that the operator decided that it was too light to circulate and he deliberately took plate No. 9396 making a dark impression over the light one. Both colors are visible."

Mr. J. J. Klemann, Jr., of the Nassau Stamp Company calls our attention to an apparent double transfer occurring on each sheet of the 6c Aeroplane emission. The stamp in question is No. 14 on the plate and a single double transfer is to be seen on the left figure '6", on the middle stroke of the "N" of "Cents", also a small line in the upper right corner beyond the border.

We are told by another party that a transfer occurs on stamps 36 and 96 but although we have checked the sheet we cannot locate the evidence of such a transfer on these latter two stamps.

The writer was fortunate in recently obtaining for his collection a complete sheet of the 2c 1890, Scott's No. 220A, from the lower right pane of sheet No. 235 TT, wherein the left Cap is shown on every stamp in the sheet. We had never seen such a sheet before and were under the impression that only a portion of the subjects showed the Cap variety.

Mr. W. P. Colman submits for our inspection a very interesting horizontal block of six of the current official seal, blue on white, wherein each vertical pair is imperforated between. The block is from the top of the sheet and, consequently, is straight edged at the top.

In our edition of February 8th, we gave a list of the known varieties of the 2c Playing Cards, surcharged "7c". Mr. August P. Koch sends for our inspection a variety which we have not seen heretofore. This new variety is surcharged horizontally in red, in three lines as follows: "Act of 1917—7—CENTS". This stamp is from Plate No. 42208 and shows the number on the right margin.

Mr. E. W. Fuss, now with the American Expeditionary Forces in Bernecourt, France, sends us some very interesting covers. He franks his communication with a small embossed label with white letters upon a red background about 1¾" long and ½" wide, reading "Feldpost". This is postmarked with a circular cancellation reading "Postal Express Service No. 918-25 Jan. 1919". A pair of these upon a cover were mailed by Mr. Fuss to himself and these were sent to us for our inspection. We are informed in a very interesting letter that these labels were taken from German prisoners of War. He also sends us two other covers of unusual interest, one having a pair of the current 15 heller Austria, showing a portrait of Emperor Charles and the second one of the new 7½ pfennig Germany, together with the 25 pfennig. Both of these are postmarked similar to the above dated "20 January 1919." Mr. Fuss advises that although he has looked over all of the stamps at the post office he finds many values lacking, including the 6, 16, 24c varieties.

ARGENTINE REPUBLIC.—Messrs. Bowie & Son show us two examples of the 5c charity (non-postage) stamp, chronicled in *Stamp Collecting* of November 2 last, one being in pale blue and the other in mauve.—*Stamp Collecting.*

CANAL ZONE.—We are indebted to Mr. A. M. Warner for sending the following minor varieties of the stamps of this country. Two blocks of the 1909-10 1c, both representing different printings, with and without the ceriph on the C. On one block the C of Canal is on a level with the Z of ZONE and on the other the L of CANAL is below the E of ZONE.

At the same time Mr. Warner shows us a block of the 2 cent value, same issue, with the spelling, ZCNE. He adds, "It might be taken that this is only a broken letter, but it was so constant in a certain lot of stamps I received that it was noticed." A permit is also shown us which is the first used in Canal Zone and until June 1, 1918, the only permit ever issued. It is in a frame and reads: "1c Paid, Ancon, C.Z. Permit No. 1." and is printed in three lines.

The same correspondent adds the following information regarding stamps for official use: "They use an old Panama Railroad perforating machine with this design, "rPr", eliminating the rr and using only the P. The sheets were folded once and the two halves perforated at the same time, giving two positions to the P on each sheet. I wrote the official history of the Canal Zone stamps for the Canal Zone government and these were recognized as varieties issued for official use only. This perforation was not merely for identification, but was principally made so that the Canal Zone government would not have to pay the Republic of Panama 40% of their face value which they did on all stamps issued for sale. This payment still continues. So you see this actually made an official stamp the same as a surcharge."

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INDIA.—The *Philatelic Journal of India* states that the current type of the 2½a, India, has at last been issued, overprinted C.E.F. for the use of the British Forces in China. Presumably sufficient of the original Georgian type of this value were overprinted in 1904 to last until recently.—*Stamp Collecting.*

JAMAICA.—We are informed by the Colonial Postmaster that the Commemorative stamp that was expected to be issued about the first of the year will not make its appearance until some time in April.

JUGO-SLAVIA.—Pending issue of the first definite postage stamps for the Jugo-Slavs, certain values of the last series of charity-postage stamps of the Kingdom of Hungary have been overprinted with a distinctive device, thus:

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The 10 heller (rose), 20 heller (brown) and 25 heller (with portrait of the ex-Emperor), have been earmarked with the same inscriptions, but in somewhat different type, "S H S" being in larger fancy capitals, with the addition of a circular ornament and a horizontal black line on either side of it.

It seems that the above were not permitted to be used in the occupied Hungarian port of Fiume, for which place the Italians are overprinting their own stamps, merely with the name "FIUME" in capital letters.—*Stamp Collecting.*

MOUNT ATHOS.—Another interesting item, of which we shall have more to say later on, are the historic essays for a projected tri-lingual issue of stamps for Mount Athos during the war. There is an extremely interesting history attached to this projected issue, the stamps being inscribed in three languages, English, Russian and Greek, and having in the centre the arms of the Theocracy of Mount Athos. The issue was abandoned for diplomatic reasons, and the dies and prints were destroyed, with the exception of six sets of these essays. One set is now in the possession of H.M. the King, and another in the official collection at the General Post Office.—*Postage Stamp.*

NORTH BORNEO.—Mr. Ashley C. LeDuc has shown us some stamps received by him from a correspondent in Jessleton, Br. No. Borneo, and among the lot are two new Red Cross stamps that we have not before seen. The surcharge is on the current 1 and 3 cent stamps and has a small cross and the words "FOUR CENTS" in small type. The surcharge is printed in red ink.

SIAM.—Mr. K. B. Sieng submits to us for inspection a set of Victory stamps. They are the current type surcharged with Siamese hieroglyphic and the word Victory directly underneath it. The surcharge is in red on all values. Mr. Sieng also adds that "they were issued December 2nd in connection with the King's Coronation day and in honor of the victory of the grand Alliance. The sale of these stamps soon exhausted the supply and the 10 stgs are very hard to get." The five values thus far seen and reported are 2, 3, 5, 10 and 15 satang.

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40	Canada	.60	
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18	Capes	.35	
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50	Chile	.50	
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25	Crete	.60	
100	Cuba	2.25	
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50	Ecuador	.75	
30	Egypt	.50	
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40	France	.10	
75	France	.60	
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100	Gt. Britain	1.50	
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50	Greece	.75	
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70	Mexico	2.50	
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30-45	Bosnia, 1h-5k 1906, complete, odd perforations, fine	3.10
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*514-24	Brazil, 10-10.000r mint	7.00
*25-28	Brt. E. Africa 2r-5r mint	2.75
*89-98	Bulgaria, 1s-1l mint	.75
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*1-5	F. E. Africa, 2-25 pesa, mint	2.75
*1-11	Guam, 1c to $1, rare, mint	10.00
*701-10	India, I. E. F., mint, scarce	1.75
*1-3	Ionian Islds., complete, rare	3.25
74-85	Montenegro, 1pa-5per cplt.	1.90
*1-12	Nauru, 1py-5sh mint, scarce	3.25
61-74	Newfoundland Jubilee	3.00
	Newfoundland Caribou set cpl.	1.75
*27-36	New Hebrides 5c-2fr mint	1.65
*167-74	Nicaragua	.75
*1-12	Nyassa, 5r-300r	1.35
*13-25	Nyassa, 2½r-300r	1.35
71-77	Papua, surcharged set cpl.	1.00
*383-90	Persia, surcharged set, fine	3.50
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*50-55	St. Helena, ½py-2sh mint, scarce	2.25

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22	1c brown red	..	.45
22a	1c brown red wmk.	..	1.00
23	2c pale green	1.50	.42
23a	2c deep green	1.50	.42
24 or 24a	3c red	1.50	.15
25 or 25a	6c brown	..	.45
26	12½c blue	..	.45
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*8	New Brunswick 10c vermilion, fine	.35
*11	New Brunswick, 12½c blue, fine	.45
*12	New Brunswick 17c black, fine	.35
2	Nova Scotia 3py 1851, fine	2.75
2	Nova Scotia, same, average	1.75
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*15	Prince Ed. Isld., 6c black, mint	.22

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*78	Barbados, 2sh 6py 1892-96, mint	1.65
*85	Barbados, 8py orange 1897, mint	.75
251	Barbados, 1py WAR TAX	.04
*47a	Belgium, beautiful, block of 4, imperf. mint, very scarce	8.00
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190	Brazil, 10.000r brown, very fine	1.35
198	Brazil, 5,000r brown, fine	.35
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9	Brt. Honduras, 3py brown, fine	2.50
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*8	Cyprus, ½py red	.40
26	Cyprus, ½pi green, fine	1.50
*43	Cyprus, 4pi green & violet	2.00
*23	Dominica, 6py orange, mint	1.50
*45	Dominica, 5sh brown, mint	1.75
59	Egypt, 200m plum, cat. $1.25	.45
*29	Falkland Islds., 5sh red, mint	3.25
2	France, 15c green, average	3.00
*63	Gambia, 7½py mint	.75
72	Gibraltar, 2sh fine	.55
1	Gold Coast, 1py blue, fine	4.50
124	Gt. Britain, £1 green, scarce	3.50
140	Gt. Britain, 5sh rose, fine	.28
141	Gt. Britain, 10sh ultra., fine	1.25
174	Gt. Britain, 5sh carmine, fine	.30
175	Gt. Britain, 10sh blue	1.10
1167	Gt. Britain, 5 pia on 1sh fine	.40
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49	Jamaica, 5sh violet, fine	1.00
1146	Japan, 10s ultramarine, rare	1.75
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*6	Leeward Islds., 7py lilac, mint	.30
*7	Leeward Islds., 1sh green, mint	.75
*8	Leeward Islds., 5sh grn., mint, fine	2.50
*14	Malta, 5sh rose, mint	2.00
*18	Malta, 10sh black, mint	3.25
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7	Montserrat, 2½py red brown, rare	3.75
20	Natal, 6py good	2.00
68	Natal, 3py ultramarine	.60
*19	Nevis, 1py violet	1.10
97	New Zealand, 2sh green, fine	.40
191	New Zealand, 6py purple, red	.25
530	New Zealand, 2sh green, fine	.75
*17	Northern Nigeria, 2sh 6py mint	2.00
*53	Orange River Colony, 5sh green	.85
216	Paraguay, 1 peso blue	.15
217	Paraguay, 1 peso 25c blue, fine	.18
219	Paraguay, 3 peso blue, fine	.35
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1916, ½py	.10	.80
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King Geo., ½py	.05	.40
King Geo., 1py	.08	.75
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1919, Caribou 5c	.40	
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THE STAMP OF THE SLOVAC LEAGUE.

By A. S. JESSOP.

On your editorial page, issue of February 15, you note having received from D. C. Alexander, Franklin, Vt., a stamp, and as I sent him same, and being the only person in the country having them, it seems that it is up to me to tell your readers what the stamp is.

The inscription at the bottom of stamp is "Slovak League". The line below it "Brat. Objim Si Mat" is from what is considered the national poem of these people and means, as it has to be expressed in English, "Slovak brothers love your mother." But it means more than that. It does not mean mother, mater or mere, neither does it mean mother country because they have none as they have been subjects of Austria for hundreds of years. No Slav can express in English just exactly what it does mean. Practically it means "Always be loyal and true."

The drawing for the stamp was made in Prague. The artist, connected with one of the large printing establishments, needed a subject who represented the beauty and good health of their women, called in a girl from feeding a cylinder press, and it is her picture on the stamp. On the left is their shield with the peculiar double cross. On the right a shield bearing the stars and stripes.

The stamps were issued for the purpose of raising money in this country to aid their brothers across the sea in their fight for freedom. It is literally a war charity stamp because a portion of the funds went for the education of their youth in the University of Prague to perpetuate the Slavish language in opposition to an Austrian decree inflicting severe punishment upon all those who even dared to think in Slavish.

This is a great and wonderful people and so far they have accomplished more than any others in their fight for freedom. They held a secret election while the war was in progress and elected a president and vice president. It will be remembered by many that their president was in Washington when news of the armistice was received and that President Wilson recognized him as president of a republic that has nothing beyond a perfect working organization. Think of all they have accomplished! They are nothing but a people with a claim and an aim. No country, no home; nothing but a perfectly organized government, and with nothing to govern. Nothing but a demand for their rights.

And thus they go before the peace conference presenting their claims in a business-like manner and supported by assertions that must have suitable recognition. The Slavs, or Czecho-Slavs as you will, are destined to become one of the greatest and most powerful people of Europe. They have the brains; they have the education and they have the money to put their country in a year far in advance of some other countries in 10 years.

Let me state that I am not a Slav. I am an American so far back that the memory of man runneth not to the contrary. Some of your Connecticut readers will understand when I say that I am a Pequot. I am simply writing of a people that I have found and I freely say that I greatly admire them.

I befriended a Slav. He gave me some stamps when he ascertained that I am a collector. He had collected when he was at his old home in Prague. After a time he gave me one of the stamps in question. It took me a long time to find out all about it, if indeed, I have at all.

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While the stamp has no philatelic value, while it is the stamp of a people without a country, and cannot be classed in any other way than as a stamp born of this great world conflict for charity, few stamps can have so many peculiar circumstances surrounding it; I might say so much hidden history. For this reason alone, it is a curiosity.

AWARDS HER LIEN IN STAMP ACTION.

Another phase of the litigation growing out of the George W. Worthington $1,000,000 stamp collection has been decided by Justice Laughlin, who has just rendered his decision in the suit of Alice F. Halliday against Harrison B. McGraw, as assignee for the benefit of the creditors of Worthington, and Warren H. Colson.

In a previous action Mrs. Halliday, suing to establish her right to a lien on the stamp collection, which Worthington had put up as collateral for a loan she made to him, was successful, obtaining judgment for about $300,000. It was then agreed that the stamps should be sold, Mrs. Halliday being paid $240,000, while an additional sum of about $100,000 should be deposited with the Bankers' Trust company to await the outcome of several disputes about commissions, lawyers' fees, etc.

Justice Laughlin holds that the plaintiff is entitled to the amount of her lien and to the necessary expense of preserving and handling the property; that costs should be taxed and an additional allowance of 5 per cent. on the amount of her recovery, paid in full out of the fund deposited, and that she is to execute an assignment to the assignee of her claims against the purchasers of stamps who did not pay in full and of her claims against the sales agent.—*Buffalo Express.*

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MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS
Beverly, Mass. Portland, Me.

A LAY OF THE PEELABLE HINGE.

I trill this lay—'tis new, I ween,
How Percy found the Penny Green;
Corralled the prize he'd chased so long
Amid the haunts where dealers throng.
For weary months his queries vain
Had met with nought but "Come again."
Some dubbed him fey—"Loose tile," one said—
Or wished him far, not overhead.
But Percy steered an even keel,
Like Dreadnought stout bedight in steel.
There came a day—we've heard him tell
(A halo did become him well!)—
How in the folds of Booklet Three
He spied the gem, full mint, O. G.
At least the wight who owned the Lot
Averred it so—terms cash and spot.
Blithe Percy then—his surname Jones—
Did chant "Pip pip," in dulcet tones,
And hornpipes flung he, pas de seul,
But hush! don't tell tales out of school.
That rhyme's not sound, I do declare,
Nor this one, too, but c'est la guerre.
However—
He peeped above, he peeped below—
Condition good did surface show.
Pink gum, full perfs, chalk coating, too,
(A fish-knife proved the last-named true).
With tweezers cold he gave a tweeze,
A tug, a heave—crescendo, please—
A mighty jerk, a tearing sound—
It gave, and Jones span round and round,
Bearing the prize aloft, unbent,
But, sad to say, with fearsome rent.
And riven page showed fierce—Great Scott!
Best "peelers" they? Certainly not.
Sad Percy next the "split" o'erturned,
On it the gaze of Cheavin* burned.
The serried humps of hinges three
Spread their full inch—oh, agony!
The limpet's grasp—no, not in it—
Best "peelers" beat him every minute.
The problem now was to replace
The gem, and eke to save his face.
But Percy saw with bated breath
And cheeks whose hue resembled death
The legend stern—or was it flu?—
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My story ends. Remember this,
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A STUDY IN POSTMARKS.

By Geo. W. Bye.

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—It is now Lieut. W. F. Ferguson and our former dealer friend will have the congratulations of many of our readers. The "Indiana" to which Lieut. Ferguson has been assigned during the past two years, is now at the Philadelphia yard and will be out of commission in about a month. Lieut. Ferguson will then be released from duty and stranger things have happened than that he should get back again into the stamp business.

—Miss Amy L. Swift, noting our News Gleaning in connection with one Garcia, Remedios, Cuba, reports that she also sent him an exchange selection but after many days it was returned censored with the comment "Export license required". Miss Swift suggests that failure to hear from Mr. Garcia may not be the latter's fault.

—The Central Stamp Exchange, Chicago, Ill., is back again in our columns this week and we welcome this firm and trust that it may receive the patronage of our readers. The manager is F. W. Shuster and he writes us that his firm will no doubt be regularly represented in the columns of the WEEKLY.

—The Majestic Stamp Co. feels that an injustice has been done the Perrines by an item recently published. Mr. Wayne Christy of Chicago is holding for the Perrines the letter which Mr. Sauer claims to have sent them. Mr. Christy says that the envelope reached Chicago in very poor shape and being a registered letter it is held for the parties in question rather than to risk forwarding.

—Sherman G. Layton, Ellis, Mass., has a lot of old and current stamp magazines weighing about fifteen pounds that he would be glad to send to someone (a shut-in preferred) who will meet transportation charges.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from Capt. R. M. Bruns, Carl H. Miller, J. E. N. Paul, W. J. Thomson.

—We are informed by Frank B. Pond that an aerial mail service was opened between Minneapolis-St. Paul and Duluth Saturday, Feb. 22, the trip taking a little over two hours for 150 miles. Mr. Pond states that 6c aeroplane stamps were put on sale in Duluth about Feb. 10.

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—We have just received an auction catalog from Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer of Philadelphia, which to a certain extent is historical and will prove to be one of great interest to "M. & M. Fans." In cataloging and describing the collection of the late Mr. George Anders, of Norristown, Penn., he states at what auction sale, or from what collection the important lots were secured, mentioning the price paid at that time. Collectors as a rule, take a special interest in a stamp if it has a pedigree that can be traced. The collection abounds in many prominent pieces from the Chapman, Deats, Eagle, George, Holland, Levick, Nast, Phelps and Tiffany collections and consists of the first 330 lots. It is followed by a fine property of British Colonials and the balance of the sale is made up of fine wholesale offerings.

—"I note in 'News Gleanings' for Feb. 22 that Roessler's correspondent mentions that 'Russian stamps have appeared in Eastern Siberia surcharged with values in American cents.' Perhaps 'Eastern Siberia' is a new name for China—see Scott's numbers 450 to 466 under Russia."—PERCY MCG. MANN.

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Report—An officer of the government informs us that "there is a possibility that the current perforation 11 on the U. S. stamps will be changed, if rumors that have reached me may be depended upon."

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Required—The provisions of the new revenue law are so extensive that they will increase the use of stamps greatly and an analysis of the purely stamp aspects of the tax should be forthcoming. A Washington correspondent says that it is likely that the current documentary stamps will be used for a "number of inter-related purposes." He is silent on any impending new issues. Further, he says that only necessary revenue stamps for new taxes will be issued as whenever possible the new tax will be paid by the old stamps, as a matter of economy. A definite schedule of revenues for use under the tax recently impounded will be contained in an early number of our paper. According to a press despatch, an amendment to the Harrison narcotic drug act taxes at the rate of one cent an ounce, opium, cocaine and derivatives or medicines containing these, the tax to be paid by revenue stamps. In reference to the tax on opiates already in effect, there is complaint that the law has not been strictly observed and the Treasury Department is taking steps to enforce the new regulations to the letter. When the previous law went into effect, we had a description of these "opium stamps."

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Read—A correspondent translates an editorial from a Portuguese paper published in the United States asking that ownership of the Azores, belonging to Portugal, be transferred to the United States. It seems that the developments of the war have accentuated existing bonds between the islands and this country and that there is a strong sentiment in the Azores for adoption by Uncle Sam. It is supposed that Portugal would not oppose any recommendation of the peace conference, which in all probability will dispose of the title to the islands, which have a prominent place in the stamp albums, almost from first to last, as the Azores are comparatively venerable as a stamp-issuing country; it dates from 1868.

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Rebuttal—An old friend writes: "I was much taken with the remarks of the man in a recent issue who you said was an authority who was reluctant to hazard an opinion as to the market possibilites of any particular stamps. His statements were logical enough, no doubt, yet it seems that there are exceptions to any rule that may be cited, as in the case of the five cent, 1847, U. S. When this stamp was first selected for preferment and was advertised for at prices on an ascending scale by those intent upon 'cornering' it, the opinion was volunteered by a dealer, certainly shrewd, that it was a good time to sell. This was long before the present high prices for the stamp had been reached. Any assumption that he may have had, based on the premise that general knowledge of the desirability of the stamp would 'bear' it on the market proved faulty. I happened to find recently, a little lot of eight covers bearing five cent, 1847, that I bought in a Wolsieffer auction sale about 1896 and which I laid away at the time only to find in going through a 'catch-all' drawer. I paid at the rate of fifteen cents a stamp and as I remember the catalogue quotation was thirty-five cents. An enthusiast to whom I showed the covers offered me twenty-five dollars for the lot. Even though I did not accept the tender I was pleased to get it." Having recourse to a 1897 catalogue, we find that the stamp was quoted at 85 cents used and it is curious that ten years later in the 1907 catalogue the price was 75 cents.

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Reflections—A good many readers emphasize the commercial spirit in collecting, and attend anxiously to money-making possibilities in their stamp investments. We are importuned by them for prophecies as to the future advances in prices and for information that might be helpful to those who wish to speculate in stamps. We refrain from predictions of the kind in view of the experiences of many a trained observer who in his more enthusiastic days did not hesitate to express his beliefs. Sometimes, the forecast proved ironical and on the whole, the results were not happy. Any guess is a good one when confirmed by time and one has the right, of course, to take any means that he will, but it may become mischievous for him to lead those who depend upon his judgment into the labyrinth of chance. At the same time, it is to be argued that there is justification for conservative opinions as to the price future of certain stamps that may for some reason stand apart from the mass. It is not to be gainsaid that occasionally one is given proof that this or that observer has an acuteness that makes him exceptional and fits him with an ability to pose as a prophet. It is difficult to induce a person of this kind to share his opinions with all collectors. Sometimes, selfish reasons cause him to refuse his counsel but again, he fears that after all, he may be the means of working hardship on a collector now and then. The tipster in philately is not the dependable factor that he may be, relatively speaking, in other lines.

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Ribald—A reader of the paper who was known to be enthralled by the thought of finds, found the following message on the card that he had stuck in his door, saying that he would return at a certain time: "I have an old trunk full of war letters and before the war. Do you buy these? I am a poor man and would like to get anything I can for them as I need money badly. Call up —— and I will make an appointment with you if you are interested. O. H. ——." The trusting soul who found these glad words was just a tiny bit suspicious, he now says, as certain little touches in the letter were too good to be true. However, he called up the number given and after inquiring for Mr. H., the man who had a trunk full of old letters, he finally secured, after much vexatious delay, a man who said he had the letters. He found that he got the unclaimed letter department of the big post office. This "joke" was not so extreme as one perpetrated on a dignified collector one cold day this winter. He had a friend who told him in the hearing of a number of other collectors that he had located a shanty in one of the suburbs that promised to yield much treasure trove. He promised the dignified collector first pick of the harvest. After a few weeks had passed, the collector got a telephone call in the name of his friend, asking that he take the first train to K—— and bring a suitcase along to help carry back the scarce things in a big find. Braving the weather, he boarded the train to deserted K—— and wandered around there for some time before he realized that he had been cruelly hoaxed.

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The British Colonies of the Western Hemisphere have been responsible for many varieties of war tax stamps to bolster up the impaired condition of their finances, but few stamps have been produced in aid of the wonderful work of the Red Cross.

Shortly after the outbreak of the war, Trinidad and Tobago, Grenada and Jamaica, in the British West Indies, made issue of Red Cross labels, typeset and produced locally, in which the Geneva Cross occupies a prominent place. These labels are sold for ¼d or ½d each, and being without postal value are in much the same category as the Red Cross labels issued here in the States in December of each year.

Quite unintentionally, about 900 copies of the Red Cross label of Trinidad and Tobago did service as provisional ½d postage stamps on September 18, 1914. The local Red Cross Society had secured permission from the Governor to frank their letters with their labels, and on September 18th, presented a lot of between 800 and 900 circulars to the General Post Office, Port of Spain, asking for urgent delivery. The outlying post offices had not yet been notified of the Governor's action, and to avoid delay and the possibility of the letters being taxed as unpaid, the labels on this one lot of circulars were cancelled with the General Post Office cancelling stamp. After this date, all letters of the society passed under frank, and while bearing the labels, the postal clerks were cautioned against cancelling them.

On Flag Day, 1915, Trinidad and Tobago issued a Red Cross postage stamp, overprinting the current 1d stamp, with the Geneva emblem, and the date beneath — 21/10/15. Quoting from the Colonial Secretary's report: "—— the whole issue (100,000 stamps) was sold out at face value (1d) in two or three hours, and the Red Cross Society benefited by one-half of the proceeds of the sale, the balance going to general revenue."

A similar issue took place in the following year, this time the date being placed above the Cross—19-10-16. 250,000 stamps were issued on this occasion, and again quoting from the Colonial Secretary's report: "Of the proceeds £500 was given to the Red Cross Society, and £250 to the Belgian Relief Fund."

Bahamas followed in 1917—the 1d red and black, Queen's Staircase design, being overprinted with the Geneva Cross, and the date 1-1-17 beneath, in red. The stamps were ordered for issue on New Year's Day, 1917, but due to delays in printing and dispatch, the stamps were not available for issue at Nassau until May 18, 1917. The stamps were sold at face, and did full postal duty—half the amount realized going to the Red Cross fund, and the balance to general revenue. But one consignment of this stamp was sent out from London (estimated between 150,000 and 180,000) and stock was running close to exhaustion in the summer of 1918. To replace this stamp, a 1d "WAR CHARITY 3-6-18" stamp, in the Queen's Staircase design, has been ordered from London.

1917 did not produce a Red Cross stamp for Trinidad and Tobago, much to the surprise of the collecting world, and the official statement made at the time was: "The government does not intend to make further Red Cross issues."

For this the Secretary of State for the Colonies seems to be responsible, having addressed a circular to the various Colonial governments objecting to the issue of postage stamps bearing the Red Cross emblem—"since without special authority under the Geneva Convention Act of 1911, the Red Cross emblem cannot be employed for imprinting stamps."

And further that—"The concession under which certain cases where this imprinting had already occurred were subsequently authorized, should not be regarded as a precedent should proposals similar (in nature) be put forward."

To overcome this objection, Red Cross stamps have been issued by Trengganu, North Borneo, and Straits Settlements, with the emblem omitted, and the words "RED CROSS" substituted.

In October, 1914, Newfoundland was said to be considering the issue of a 25-cent war charity stamp, having a postal validity of 2 cents—the difference going to the National Relief Fund. Much adverse comment was made at the time that the surtax should be so high, but on authority of an official of the Dominion: "—such a proposition has never been considered by the department, nor am I aware of any announcement, official or unofficial, having been made." As to adverse comment in the press as to the surtax: "—were such the case, I should not have been surprised."

To aid the local drive for war funds on October 24, 1918, it was hoped that the Post Office Dept. would see fit to issue at least one special stamp, but no departure was made from the stand previously taken. The Women's Patriotic Assn. of Newfoundland had under consideration issuing a non-postal label to help swell the fund, but the plan fell through.

While the Red Cross labels of Jamaica have no postal validity, they are sold by postal clerks in all the post offices in the island, and are requisitioned from the General Post Office, Kingston, and accounting rendered the same as for postage stamps. There was an agitation recently in the island for a special series of Red Cross postage stamps of three values, ½d, 1d and 1½d, to help along the funds being raised for the war charities. The stamps were to be overprinted with the Geneva Cross in red, sold at double face—the difference going to the fund.

At the same time, the suggestion was made that remainders of all the old series of stamps such as the 2s Queen Victoria, etc., be reduced by surcharging to 1½d, and additionally overprinted with the Geneva Cross.

Petitions were sent to H. E., the Governor, Sir Leslie Probyn, asking that these stamps be prepared for "OUR WAR DAY," December 2nd, 1918, but here, as in other cases, the instructions from Downing Street were quoted as being opposed to such an issue.

While it may be said that such issues are not necessary from the point of postal requirements, the Red Cross Society is doing a wonderful work, and is dependent on the public for funds, and every effort to increase these funds is deserving of support. Doubtless, the fund can be supported by gifts in cash, etc., and these have been made, but the issue of stamps is quite another source of revenue which is not touched in the ordinary way.

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UNITED STATES.—In our recent chronicles we have referred to the new 3c Victory stamp which will without doubt have been issued before these notes appear in print. We are now able to describe this stamp, quoting from *American Philatelist:*

"Design a helmeted female figure with upper part of body encased in scale armor, flowing skirt falling to feet, right hand grasps a sword, the point of which rests on the ground at feet, left arm partially extended with balance scale held in hand. Draped at back and above the figure is the United States flag, while at the left the English and Belgian flags are draped, and at the right the French and Italian flags. In a straight label extending across the top of the stamp is the inscription U. S. POSTAGE, while directly beneath the figure, in another straight label, is the word CENTS, flanked by circles, in each corner, containing the numeral 3."

As this variety will most likely be extensively distributed and used, we feel quite confident the department will issue them in imperforate condition.

Mr. A. W. Filstrup calls our attention to the fact that although we mentioned the phantom plate numbers which are appearing on the current 3c surface print stamp, we have overlooked mentioning similar peculiarities appearing on the imperforate stamp. He has found these oddities on sheet No. 9331, which he has located at his local Post Office.

We might mention that your Editor, along with Mr. Owen, secured similar sheets from the New York Post Office some time back, from earlier plates.

Mr. J. R. Hemmerlee sends us a very interesting block of thirty-two of the type IV 3c perforated 11 wherein the offset distinctly shows on the back of half of the stamps, the balance remaining clear. This block came from sheet No. 9002. This plate is making numerous varieties, for we recall receiving a portion of a sheet some time back, from the same plate, with the double print.

Mr. Don J. Grout sends us, for our inspection, a block of the same stamp in an extremely dark shade. We had a run of similar stamps in the Philadelphia Post Office during December. One collecting shades of this current three cent stamp will have an extremely interesting time, for we find that they run from a light shade, printed from an uninked roller to an extremely dark shade, printed from a greatly overinked roller. The writer, so far, has been able to get together forty-two blocks, very distinct one from another.

In our issue of February 15th we made mention of a slight defect appearing on some of the older Plates of 3c type IV. In describing these we failed to mention the fact that this variety occurs only in the upper right hand pane on the second stamp, directly under the Plate number.

ALBANIA.—We are informed that the 2c brown and green label of the 1917 series has been surcharged thus

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AZORES.—We have just received from the Aborn Stamp Co. some specimens of provisional stamps said to have been issued by the postmaster at Ponta Delgada. The regular supply failing to show up, certain low values of Azores postage were overprinted as follows:—½c black, 1c green, 2c carmine, 5c blue 1912 and 1c brown 1918 with the word MULTA in capital letters. The overprint is in red on the ½, 1c green and 5c blue and in black on the other two values. The ½c brown, 1c green and 5c blue have also been overprinted PORTEADO diagonally in red from left to right. Nothing more is known about the conditions that brought these stamps into being.

CAYMAN ISLANDS.—J. A. Galbraith and Frank M. Mason have shown us the new WAR STAMPS recently issued for this country. They are the ½d, surcharged WAR STAMP in small black type, and the 2½d orange surcharged WAR STAMP 1½d in two lines in black.

COLOMBIAN REPUBLIC.—According to Mr. Herman Focke, a local printing appeared in December, 1918, of a new value, 3 centavos brown-claret. It was apparently used only on letters from the coast. It lasted for only a few weeks and may turn out to be a provisional issue of more or less local though international character.

COLUMBIA.—Mr. A. W. Dunning sends us some vertical pairs of Scott's Nos. 801-821 showing the surcharges tete beche. Mr. Dunning advises that "while many of these surcharges are listed by Scott and other cataloguers as existing inverted, they are not listed in pairs with the surcharges on the two stamps tete beche. Whether all inverted surcharges come se tenant with normal surcharges or not, I do not know, as I have not a vertical strip of three stamps, which, if all three stamps bore normal surcharges, would prove the contrary. I have vertical pairs in which both surcharges are normal, but this proves nothing, as a row either above or below might have had the surcharge inverted."

COOK ISLANDS.—It is stated that the stamps of this group will henceforth be of the same character as those supplied to Aitutaki, Niue, etc.—that is, New Zealand stamps localised by an overprint. In this case the overprint will be the name of the capital "Raratonga." The set will consist of the twelve current New Zealand stamps from ½d to 1s.—*Alfred Smith's Monthly Circular.*

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.—We are informed by Mr. Herman Focke that the ½ centavo value comes in a shade that may be termed lilac rose and with imprint of 1917 in red. This is not chronicled by Scott.

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ECUADOR.—Mr. John P. Cooper calls our attention to several values of the revenue stamps of this country that are being used for postage and were received by him in a consignment just at hand. They are the 5c brown, 1901-2 issue; 5c green, 1911-12 issue; 5c green, 1915-16 issue; 10c black, 1913-14 issue, and 10c red and blue.

HAYTI.—Mr. A. W. Dunning has shown us another value of the surcharged stamps mentioned in the last issue. This time it is the 2cts Gourde on Scott's No. 211 (50c de p yellow). The surcharge is in red.

MEXICO.—Mr. Herman Focke writes us that the 10 centavos blue now comes rouletted and with imprint at the bottom, this being the variety used for the Red Cross issue recently reported in these columns by Mr. Focke, and which, by the way, was a "one day's" affair. This should be a rarity. Mr. Focke also states that the 10c without imprint comes in what seems to be an imperforate condition. A sample is submitted for our inspection, but as it is a single copy liable to have been trimmed, it is listed with reservation.

MOZAMBIQUE CO.—Mr. Frank M. Mason shows us the new set of stamps through the 30 centavos value. The colors are as follows:

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2c lilac and black.
5c blue and black.
7½c orange and green.
8c violet and black.
10c light red and black.
15c dark rose and black.
20c light green and black.
30c violet brown and black.

RUSSIA.—During the month many interesting novelties have come to hand. Mr. H. R. Harmer has loaned two of the quaint Bolshevik stamps of Russia, bearing a sort of family resemblance (so far as the typography is concerned) with the Romanoff issue. The design shows a hand clenching the hilt of a sword which is cutting through the iron chains which have fettered Russia for generations. A small quantity of the stamps of the new republic of the Ukraine has also been received, a curious stamp with the value expressed in "chalives," which is presumably a new local name for a kopec.—*Postage Stamp.*

SALVADOR.—The regular 6c postage stamp of 1916 comes with surcharge "1 Centavo 1" in black, quite different from Scott's Nos. 451 a and b., which seem to have a similar surcharge, but on the 6c official No. 971. We are indebted to Mr. Herman Focke for this information.

SAMOA.—Mr. Frank P. Brown has shown us the 1½d orange brown New Zealand stamp surcharged SAMOA in red for use in this colony. Mr. Brown at the same time shows us the 2sh 6d brown revenue stamp of New Zealand, Scott's type R3 surcharged in the same manner.

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Edited by COTTON C. DOYLE.

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Is relished by all kinds of men."

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These regulations may seem a trifle harsh but we propose to run this dept. on unusual lines and intend to be *different* or *bust*. Bill Shakespeare isn't the only key-thumper who believes Variety is the Spice of Life.

Criticism.

For the benefit of "Beginner" and others, we will say, Yes, we know why the 2c Navy Dept. in Green is listed and dubbed an "error" and why the 24c 1857 in Red Lilac and the 3c 1861-66 in Lake and Scarlet are listed and priced in the current catalog, and some day we may yield to temptation and snip the cable that anchors them so securely in their exalted position. However, it is a serious matter to lapse into telling the truth and we might get ourself disliked thereby. Beside, if we had sold these things as stamps for many years, and now admitted the truth about them, we might have to buy them back. That would be disastrous to our prosperity. Therefore we shall keep mum. Often we wonder why the 2c Navy in Black and the 24c 1857 in Bright Bluish Lilac are not listed. They are just as desirable as the items above mentioned and would bring much better prices if listed as stamps than they do as proofs.

Eddie Stern of the Economical Stamp Co., Manhattan, bought a fine collection last week for less than he hopes to get for it. If he does not sell it entire, he will break it up. Some day he intends to knock off work long enough to tell us how he came to be the Proprietor of a Company. We could never figure it out but are always willing to learn. If it is not too difficult and the emoluments are satisfactory, we might like to be proprietor of a Co. ourself.

Notes and Gossip.

Bill Michaels of Missouri, turned down an unused block of nine 24c 1862 at $2.16 net regretfully the other day. He would have invested if the mail order house that took them hadn't perforated their initials in every stamp. Bill hopes the lady who used them to pay for a new Paris head-piece has the rest of the sheet and that he can get it before she sends them to the mail order crowd for something to match the hat.

Commodore Ferry, the notorious wheelbarrow skipper of N. Jersey, has been taking advantage of the open winter to prepare his war garden for a bumper crop of succotash next summer. Recently he plowed up a rusty tobacco can and found the remains of several hundred long lost 2nd. issue rev. duplicates therein. Mrs. Com. F. has thought up eleven alibis and hopes to make one of them stick.

Evensong.

(To the tune of "Old Black Joe")

Gone are the stamps
That my childhood loved to buy.
Gone are those stamps,
The apple of my eye.
Gone, but gone to a little boy we know.
I hear the last new issue calling—
Dough, dough, dough.

When he was young,
Blue eyes and golden hair.
Sweet years have passed,
His mother, too, is fair.
Now he's a lad, he's taking after me.
He'd rather play with stamps by gosh, than
Play hoo-kee.

Gone are the stamps,
That my childhood loved to buy.
Gone are those stamps,
From the place they used to lie.
Bub has them now,
They're the apple of his eye.
Dad makes the dough so son can go, and
Buy, buy, buy.

Query Dept.

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Feb. 22, 1919.

Pres. Dunning called the meeting to order at 8.20 this evening. The usual reports were read and accepted. The resignations of Mr. B. A. Oppenheimer and Nathaniel A. Francis were read and accepted. Messrs. Wm. L. Blake and M. D. Olmstead were elected non-resident members. It was voted to change the by-laws so that non-resident members could purchase and use keys to the room. Messrs. J. Harper Blaisdell, Robert M. Stone and Warren A. Rowell applied for membership and their names will be voted upon at the next meeting. It was decided to hold an auction for the benefit of the Library Committee's fund and a printed list will be sent out soon after the March meeting. All those who wish to contribute lots will please send them to the Committee at once. It was voted to join the United Stamp Societies.

Mr. C. K. B. Moore won 1st prize and Mr. A. W. Dunning 2nd in the Uruguay contest. Mr. Prevost had his fine collection of France with him and exhibited them informally. Adjournment was made at 10 p. m., 36 members and guests having been present.

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NASSAU-MIAMI AIR MAIL.

By PERCY MCG. MANN.

The first international air mail service in the Western Hemisphere took place between Miami, Florida, and Nassau, Bahamas, toward the end of January. Two seaplanes flew over from Miami, Florida, U. S. A., to Nassau, N. P., Bahamas, on January 28th and returned from Nassau to Miami on the morning of the 30th. Sealed mail was carried from the Nassau post office, and the flight to Miami was made in 2 hrs. and 5 min. by one seaplane, the other coming down thirty miles from Miami, but getting in on the same day (the 30th).

As this is the first time in history that a sealed mail was carried from a British West Indian possession to the United States by airship, it should be of particular interest to stamp collectors to have one of the air mail envelopes, thus carried, for their collection, because, while they are not franked with any especially printed stamp and bear only the ordinary postage, they are post dated in Nassau and Miami on the same day, thus proving, beyond a doubt, that they were sent by aeroplane service.

Less than 600 envelopes were thus forwarded. These have a rubber stamp impression reading "By Air Service, Nassau to Miami" immediately under the stamps, the postoffice cancellation covers this impression, thus further proving that the postoffice accepted them for this air mail.

It was expected that the Nassau-Miami return trip would take place on the 29th, so the mail via aeroplane was cancelled "29 JAN 19", but the flight not taking place until the next day, the mail was held over and the additional cancellation "30 JAN 19" was impressed thereon. These dates are in the regular "NASSAU-BAHAMAS" postmarks. Upon receipt in Miami, the letters were backstamped "MIAMI-FLA. JAN 30 5 P M 1919" and curiously enough the clerk setting up this stamp inserted the "5" upsidedown.

As a cover displaying part of the history of the air mail services of the world, and the possibilities of this rapid service of communication, this Nassau-Miami "first trip" is unique.

In addition to the above, some of the mail was addressed to Havana, Cuba, and was duly delivered there, via Miami, Fla., but no receiving mark of Havana appears on the covers, although they were "Passed by Censor" and are thus marked.

OUR BOOK REVIEW.

A most interesting "Priced Catalog of War Stamps" has been received from Bright & Son. It bears the date of January, 1919, and prices all stamps issued in connection with and in consequence of the war. This is the seventh edition and it makes a compact pamphlet of forty pages. There is a great deal of information scattered through the book. The price of the catalog is 14c, post free, and may be obtained from Bright & Son, 164 Strand, London, England. We know of no firm here in the U. S. who can supply the catalog.

We have received from Theodore Champion, 13 Rue Drouot, Paris, France, a review copy of the 1919 edition of the Yvert & Tellier-Champion Catalog. This catalog has been produced under great difficulties and is a marked tribute to the energy of its publishers. The book is not so freely illustrated with cuts as usual, due to the fact that the plates ordinarily used for that purpose were stored in the publishers' shop at Amiens and had to be abandoned at the time of the shelling of the town by the Germans. They suffered no damage, but came into the possession of the publishers too late to be of any use on the present edition. In spite of all the obstacles that the publishers were compelled to overcome, the present edition sustains the reputation that this house has in giving us the only reliable and standard French catalog. The publication price is $1.40 and it will be sent postfree for $1.50.

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HADI SEGELY.—Part of the special overprint applied to the Hungarian charity stamps of 1914-16 meaning "War fund".

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KICKING MULE. — An unusual United States cancellation which was used at Port Townsend, Washington, in the early 'eighties.

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general that when Great Britain issued her first stamped stationery—the well known Mulreadys—letter sheets were supplied as well as envelopes.

LETTER CARDS.—A style of postal stationery largely imitative of the old style letter-sheet. It combines paper and envelope in one, there being a gummed and perforated edge which serves as a seal in closing the missive and as an easy means of opening same when it reaches the recipient. Letter cards are said to have been invented by Karoly Akin, a Hungarian, who obtained a provisional protection for the patent in England in 1871. The first officially stamped letter card was issued by Belgium late in 1882 and since then many other countries have issued them, including the United States, which issued one in 1886.

MOUNT CURRIE EXPRESS.—A local post operating in Griqualand about 1873-4 in connection with which special stamps were issued.

MATCH STAMPS.—Stamps of special design supplied by the United States government to manufacturers for the payment of the tax on matches. These stamps were printed by the government and in addition to the face value, representing the tax, the firms desiring these special stamps were required to pay the cost of engraving the individual dies, making the plates, etc. At first the cost varied but after June 1st, 1863, a uniform figure of $350.00 was charged for all dies of normal size.

MEDICINE STAMPS.—Stamps of special design supplied to individual manufacturers of patent medicines for the payment of the stipulated taxes as explained under "Match Stamps".

MIS-STRIKE.—A term often used in connection with envelope stamps impressed in the wrong place, doubly printed, or only partly impressed.

NASSAU-ORANGE.—(See "Orange-Nassau.")

ORANGE-NASSAU ISSUE. — A special set of stamps issued by the Netherlands in November, 1913, to commemorate the centenary of that country's independence.

O. B.—These letters are frequently found overprinted on the stamps of the Philippine Islands issued since 1906. They are known both printed and handstamped, the latter being in all sorts of colors and positions and in letters of varying sizes. These letters mean "Official Business" and while they were used on official mail their philatelic interest is questionable.

MORESNET.—A famous philatelic hoax perpetrated by M. Moens in 1867. M. Moens had been annoyed at the practice of a certain philatelic journal, then published in Paris, copying items from his paper, Le Timbre-Poste, without giving proper acknowledgment and he determined to set a trap for the peccant one. In the Timbre-Poste published on April 1st, 1867, a letter appeared signed by J. S. Neom (which is, of course, the name of M. Moens reversed) wherein the writer describes and illustrates a series of four postage stamps supposed to have been issued in the Commune of Moresnet. After dwelling in a serio-comic strain upon the history and resources of Moresnet, he gives the names of the printers of the stamps as Messrs. De Visch and Lirva. The unfortunate journalist for whom the trap was set did not see that De Visch is the Flemish for Poisson, and that Lirva is simply Avril spelled backwards, whilst Poisson d'Avril is, as most people are aware, the French equivalent for April fool! In the next number of his paper he not only swallowed the Moresnet stamps but priced them for the benefit of his customers. In the Timbre Poste for May, 1867, after indulging in a hearty chuckle at the expense of his victim, M. Moens explained the joke for the benefit of those whose dullness it had not already penetrated.

MOURNING STAMP.—In 1899, Finnish stamps were suppressed by the Russian government and ordinary Russian stamps were ordered to be used in their stead. As a protest, a funereal label was issued by private enterprise and for a time many patriotic Finns placed this on the face of their letters and the Russian postage stamps on the back. The label shows the Arms of Finland in yellow and red, with "Soumi" above and "Finland" below in white on a background of solid black color. The price of the label, "1 penni" was printed on the back and the profit from its sale was devoted to the national schools. The Governor-General soon put an end to their use and after a circulation of only forty-eight hours they were absolutely forbidden.

OXIDIZATION. — (See "De-oxidization.")

OFICINA DEL GOBIERNO.—An imprint shown at the base of certain Mexican stamps. It means literally "Office of the Government" referring, of course, to the government printing office.

PAID.—The word "Paid", either by itself or in combination with a numeral of value, is frequently found on old letters used both before and after the introduction of postage stamps. It was simply a post-office marking to show that all postal charges had been prepaid.

OFF-SET PRINTING.—Early in 1918, the United States Bureau of Engraving and Printing came to the conclusion that if it were to be able to keep pace with the demand for three cent stamps some other process of manufacture would have to be adopted as the recess plates deteriorated much too rapidly. The photographic rubber-offset process was chosen as the most suitable method under existing conditions. Mr. J. B. Leavy describes this process in the following lucid manner:—"A photograph was made of a proof taken from the original die, and a proof from the first die of the 3c denomination was intentionally selected for the enlarged negative, as it was considered that the lighter, finer lines of that die lent themselves more readily to surface printing reproduction than the thicker, heavier lines of the second die of the 3c; very much enlarged, the enlarged negative was cut, cleaned and touched up, so that every line was clear and sharp; the design was then reduced, by photography, to the normal size; the normal size negative placed in what is termed a 'step and repeat' photographic machine containing a sensitized gla negative plate as large as the printi plate; this machine permits the ph tographing of a subject as many tim as desired, in any position in the plat one subject at a time, so that the si gle normal size negative was place for number one position on the plat flashed, moved to number two pos tion, flashed, moved to number thre position, flashed, and so on for the e tire plate of four hundred subject The four hundred subject plate th obtained had the guide lines and a rows etched upon it and was then use to manufacture the printing plates i the usual manner, by direct conta photography on sensitized zinc plate the plate number being etched on eac zinc plate thus manufactured." Th first printing of 3c stamps by thi process was made on March 12th, 191 and they were on sale at some pos offices shortly afterwards.

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Some excitement has been created locally within the past few weeks owing to the appearance of what are termed two varieties in the ½d stamp. One has the figures of value in slightly different type, the figure "1" being thinner and that of the "2" larger and more definite. The other variety is a small white dot under the fraction bar.

It may not be generally known that these stamps are printed in sheets of 480, which are afterwards cut up into four. The two varieties above mentioned have only been seen at intervals, from which it must be concluded that each only appears on one sheet in every four. Further, the thin figure "1" was only noticed on printings on Multiple paper, when the stamps were nearly all sold out, with the result that some enthusiastic white variety collectors were scurrying round the various post offices in the Metropolitan area trying to pick up whatever specimens were obtainable.

We have been informed that when the attention of Mr. Harrison, the Commonwealth Stamp Printer, was directed to the variety, "thin figure 1," he had the block taken out, but another gentleman states this is not so.

The same correspondent has drawn our attention to the fact that there is another minor variety—namely, a little white dot on the tail of the figure "2" on the second top-left stamp on the bottom-left pane. The ½d with the white dot under the fraction bar is on the bottom-left corner of right pane of same sheet. The stamp with the thin figures of value is the first left on the third row from the bottom of the right pane. Collectors should bear in mind that both the latter are never found on the same sheet, and that the thin figure of value is the one on the right.

The two-dot varieties are to be found on both the Multiple and Single watermark papers, but, although we have been told that the thin figures of value have been found on stamps printed on the Single watermark paper, we have not yet seen it.

As to the white dot under the fraction bar, that is simply a fault in the electro, probably a bubble which has burst in the preparation of it, and it comes within the category of those we referred to in an article on the subject of white varieties in this journal, October 10, 1913, page 218. The other variety—namely, the thin figures of value—is in a totally different class, and we are unable to explain fully how such a variety could have occurred.

The process of production, is, we understand, somewhat as follows:—The design is engraved or cut into a block of metal, in negative, the size of a stamp, leaving the denomination blank. A strike of this die is then taken by superimposing it on a piece of lead and submitting it to very heavy pressure in a machine. This second die is positive. On it the denominations are engraved in relief, after which further strikes are made of the finished die on blocks of lead, which show the denominations in recess— *i. e.* white. At one time it was the practice to make impressions of the last die sixty times on gutta-percha or some similar substance and then make the electro from it in the usual manner by immersing it in an electric bath, but it would appear that latterly the practice has been adopted of making a number of electros, one for each stamp, and then clamping them together. The object of doing so is so that if any of the electros should not be satisfactory they could be discarded, whereas if a portion of a pane of sixty electros was imperfect, the whole pane would require to be made over again.

It will be seen therefore, from the above that under ordinary circumstances all the stamps are bound to be alike, and the only conclusion we can come to is that one of the ½d stamps was so faulty that it could not be used and another had to be substituted. But even so this will not account for the fact for one of the figures of value being different to the other on the same stamp. It must have been engraved by a separate hand. Perhaps it was done deliberately by way of secret mark (the late Commonwealth Stamp Printer seems to have delighted in secret marks!). Be that as it may, the fact remains that the one "½" on one stamp is different to 959 others printed at the same time. The affair was not accidental, but of course it may have been merely the result of that carelessness which has been evinced in regard to the production of Commonwealth stamps for several years past. When we speak of carelessness we mean carelessness as to detail. Several similar instances have cropped up from time to time, and we think that had proper supervision been exercised a great many of them could have been avoided. However, as we have said before, we trust that in future better methods will prevail, and that the patchwork system will soon become a thing of the past.

We have pointed out on several occasions before that electros wear rapidly, and that when a new electro is made from the engraved die, old faults disappear, but under the system which has recently been in vogue it would seem that one or more electros could be removed and others substituted. Collectors will realize that it would be exceedingly difficult to keep a record of all these "faults."

If the object of the late Commonwealth Stamp Printer was to give stamp collectors something to hunt for, he succeeded admirably, more especially in the manner in which he produced the North-West Pacific Island stamps. By the way, we have received the ½d K. G. overprinted "N. W. Pacific Islands." on Single wmk. paper, showing the white dot below the fraction bar. Perhaps someone will be fortunate in coming across the stamp with the thin figures of value similarly overprinted.

Further, in all probability the ½d values—and perhaps the 1d too—will be found on the Multiple paper overprinted "N. W. Pacific Islands." If so, we shall be glad to hear of them.

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More—Another special issue is being planned for March 29th, 1919, as a companion number to the Victory Special of last January that was received so favorably. The prevailing conditions of philately will be reflected in the coming Allied Special which we intend will worthily represent the present buoyancy of philately. If there are any retarding influences to be felt in the side streets of commercial philately, the main avenue certainly is ablaze with lights; and the dealers are not the victims of any reconstruction necessities. The dealers should celebrate their prosperity by patronizing the columns of the philatelic press and thereby insure a continuance of the flood-tide that "leads on to fortune."

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Missioner—Some time ago, we received a letter from Elizabeth C. Buhmann, a teacher of seventh grade pupils in the Alcott School, Chicago, in which she told of the methods that she employed in encouraging her charges to interest themselves in stamp collecting. Through a desire to help a shut-in who found solace in stamp work, she asked some of the scholars whom she knew collected stamps to give their duplicates to the afflicted collector and in arranging them for him, this teacher became a collector herself. The philatelic theme became emphasized and it is said: "Through their interest in the little afflicted boy, the other children in my school got interested in stamps and many who did not collect became ardent collectors. Their recess and leisure periods were taken up in displaying and exchanging stamps and the effect of this communion upon their general 'behavior' cannot be over-estimated. It has made them, as it naturally would, more efficient in history and geography, and has shown them the importance of attention to detail as nothing else could. In their intercourse with one another, they seem to have none of that self-consciousness which is hard to overcome at that age (12 to 15 years). As a reward for excellence in scholarship and deportment, I give stamps to add to their collections,—and a fine lot of boys and girls they are. I hope that this experience might show you the 'stamp collector' from another angle and that it might open a new avenue for some one else similarly placed." This inspiriting letter was followed by an interview with Elizabeth C. Buhmann and her statements proved that not only does she have the co-operation of the pupils in her enterprising application of philately to the school-life of her boys and girls, but the sympathetic regard of her teacher associates as well. The benefits that have been derived through her advanced and intelligent combination of stamps with school interests are not all on the surface as any mentor of the young will discover upon giving thought to the problem. We trust that the seeds of suggestion that have been sown will fall on fertile ground here and there.

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Matters—The post office orders recently have carried information that will arrest the eye of the collector. The issue of the Liberty Victorious stamps "is not sufficiently large to take the place of the regular issue of 3-cent stamps, and postmasters will therefore supply them only to patrons who request them." In order to secure special delivery service, it is necessary to place the words, "Special Delivery" immediately below the stamps on the letter. The use of wrapping paper for mailing packages is to be allowed only after any used stamps that may be on the piece of paper so employed have been removed. This course is advised in order to avoid confusion in rating the postage by the clerks. Postmasters are advised that in consequence of the reduction of the postal rate from three to two cents on July 1, 1919, the demand for the two cent domestic postal card and the three cent stamped envelope will cease on that date; and they are enjoined to stock up on the two cent stamps. Warning is uttered against the counterfeited war savings or thrift stamps that have made their appearance from Massachusetts, the forgers having been arrested.

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Mentioned—A reader says: "Do you know whether there was a publication current in 1865 and earlier devoted to the interests of those employed in the postal service of our government, in particular? I ask because a file of a periodical of the kind no doubt would contain many references of interest to stamp collectors. I enclose a clipping credited from the *U. S. Mail* that I have taken from a paper published in 1865 that will show why the demonetized 'remainders' of the 1857-60 issue, U. S., were to be had from dealers under face value for a number of years after the civil war." The clipping reads: "We learn that the Post Office Department is about to institute suits against those postmasters in the lately seceded states who were indebted to the government at the outbreak of the rebellion and have since declined or omitted to settle their accounts. Quite a number of them, however, have honorably paid up their indebtedness." Stamps were returned in many instances but some of them were "lost, strayed or stolen."

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Memory—"I have noticed the excellent results obtained from readers to whom you refer questions. I am particularly desirous of getting some information about an album published at Hartford, Conn., which was bought for me when a boy, from a dealer in Boston. This is not a matter of importance, I know, but I should like to trespass on your kindness, as an answer would mean much to me, sentimentally." Our correspondent adds that a friend who had access to Lord Crawford's compendium or index of philatelic literature could not find the information. As stamp albums were not included in this monumental work, data of the kind cannot be found there. We learn that M. Bennett, Jr., Hartford, Conn., published an album in the '60's which was favorably received. If fuller information is available, we shall be glad to have it.

NICARAGUA AND SALVADOR.

By Hermann Focke.

For years past I have had the intention of expressing my views on certain stamps of Nicaragua and Salvador, not properly recorded in the Standard Catalogue, these views being based on direct authentic information from the various postmasters in these countries:—

Nicaragua

No. 199—50c on 6c slate, red surcharge. To this should be added:

No. 199a—50c on 6c slate, brown surcharge, a distinct variety, being a second issue, which appeared in 1907.

No. 218a—2c on 5c yellow "Correos" in black.

No. 223a—35c on 50c olive green "Correos" in yellow brown.

These two values constitute a distinctly separate issue, appearing in March, 1909, which is proven by the different type of c upright instead of c inverted, and should be catalogued as such after No. 229.

Nos. 226-229 appeared in November, 1908, (not 1909) excepting the second printing of No. 229—10 centavos with large V in Vale, which was issued in 1909.

No. 455—4c orange red is priced too low by Scott, I believe that Gibbons is right at $2.50 new and $1.25 used, as the stamp is quite rare.

Nos. 458 to 460, on the other hand, are priced too high, as they are more common.

No. 511—35c on 50c olive-green was not issued at the coast, as there was no call for this value, but originates from private sources, and does not exist legitimately used.

No. 519—6c gray brown is of the same character, and both should be eliminated.

No. 528—15c black is the commonest variety of this set, as it covered the foreign letter rate, and was used quite extensively, its price of $1.25 is quite out of proportion, especially as compared with No. 529.

Nos. 530-532 are of unauthorized origin, and do not exist legitimately used.

No. 533—15c black (No. 981—Oficial) surcharged B—same type as Nos. 534-536, has been wrongly eliminated; this was actually issued at Bluefields, in May, 1911, and a single copy on the original cover is in my collection. It, therefore, should be restituted to its former place in the catalogue.

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Nos. 555-573—Postage Due Stamps require readjustment and corrections, as follows:

Nos. 560-564—vertical surcharge, were issued on March 7, 1908, and should have Nos. 555 to 559.

Nos. 555-559 — Horizontal surcharge, were issued on October 15th, 1908, and should have Nos. 560-564.

Nos. 565-573 are bogus, pure and simple, the watermarked paper appeared on September 1st, 1909, when these postage dues, particularly the first issue, vertical surcharge, were no longer in use, and I have absolutely official infomation from the then P. M. Senor Burgos Cuellar to that effect.

A variety deserving a place in the catalogue is No. 560b (or rather 555b) double vertical surcharge. Another stamp, never recorded, is the 1c green and black official, No. 910, of 1908 with red surcharge: — 1821—15 septiembre— 1909 in three lines (same as Nos. 374 and 375) of which 100 copies were thus surcharged for official use. I received this stamp at that time, and it bears the postmark of the same date.

As to Scott's Nos. 422 to 430, postage stamps of 1915 surcharged S, regarding which there has been much said in the past, and the genuineness of which was hotly defended by the Hussman Co. and others. My contention is that they were made to order, and that they were not sold to the public in general. We receive every week from 50 to 80 letters from Salvador, and none ever brought any of "them birds", in spite of the fact that I kept a close watch for them. However, why reopen a sore that has healed long since.

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UNITED STATES.—The new 3c Victory stamp was placed on sale in Washington on March 3rd, and to say that it has proved a disappointment is putting it mildly. From an artistic point of view it is a failure and it is hard to believe that such a design passed muster of the Bureau's experts. The central design, we are told, is a female figure, but it looks more like a man with mustache wearing a German helmet coming out of a bath. We find a snake curled around his or rather her right arm and a badly proportioned left arm holding a scale. The flags, instead of standing out plainly, tend to blend into the dark background making the design more indistinct. We had certainly looked for something better.

We wish to thank Mr. H. F. Colman for the first view of this stamp for he kindly placed a pair on cover and sent it via aeroplane. Mr. J. W. Stowell also sends us the same stamp precancelled "Federalsburg, Maryland" reading down in two types, the first precancels of their kind without a doubt. Mr. Joseph Lawzer, Mr. A. E. Owen and others favored us with early information. It may be of interest to mention that sixteen plates in all have been made for engraving this emission, these plates bearing numbers 9412 to 9419 and 9426 to 9433, inclusive. We note a small "F" in front of the plate number on the upper right pane from plate 9413. We cannot state if this is common to all plates.

Both Mr. N. Foerster and Mr. G. A. Scheller advise us of an oddity in the current 3c type IV which has been located in a small New Jersey town. It looks as if in printing these offset stamps two sheets of paper were fed into the press at one time, the under sheet extending slightly beyond the over sheet and as a result about one quarter of each of the stamps on the first vertical row were impressed on the paper. This impression was from plate 8625 and the plate number is very distinct. This sheet, which was blank, with the exception of the printed portion, mentioned above, was evidently located and then run through the press in order to receive a full impression. The second printing was from plate 8735 and the design from this second print started where the first left off, the first, however, is about one-sixteenth of an inch higher than the second.

In our issue of January 18th, we described the 1c perforated 11, engraved slightly double which we stated was caused by the sheet being smeared across the plate. The owner of these stamps later took exception to our description, but it seems that the Bureau now designates them as "smears" caused by an over pressure of the roller. Mr. Percy M. Mann shows us the 3c type II in a similar condition. So far we have seen the 1c, 2c and 3c.

Mr. A. E. Owen advises that although he has made an extensive search to date, the lowest plate that he has been able to locate of the 1c surface print is No. 9247. We are quite anxious to know what has become of No. 9095 and the other lower ones.

Mr. Joseph B. Leavy informs us that a second plate has been made up for printing the 6c aeroplane stamps, the plate carrying number 9164.

The new Revenue Bill, signed by the President but a few days ago, has already produced some provisional revenue stamps. Mr. Percy M. Mann informs us that he has seen the 1917 Documentary revenue stamps overprinted horizontally "NARCOTIC". The surcharge is applied by a handstamp in black stamp pad ink, the word being repeated five times in a horizontal row, each word being 16 mm. long and separated by a space of 7 mm., thus making it possible to overprint five stamps at a time.

Mr. Mann states that he has seen distinctly spaced double overprints and in some instances the overprint is double, one horizontal and one vertical, and in others, one horizontal and the second diagonal. The following is probably only a partial list. These were issued provisionally in Philadelphia and we surmise other cities are doing the same thing.

February 1919 issue of 1917 Documentary surcharged NARCOTIC in black.

1c red.
  a. double surcharge, both horizontal.
2c red.
4c red.
8c red.
  a. double surcharge, both horizontal.
  b. double surcharge, one diagonal.
10c red.
20c red.
1c green.
  a. double overprint, one vertical.

The new law carries a tax of 8c on Playing Cards instead of 7c as heretofore, so we may look for new provisionals in this field. Will our many friends send us specimens of anything new—for it is only in this way that we will be able to get anywhere near a complete list.

We wish to thank Miss Amy L. Swift, Messrs. R. H. Perry, Peter A. Brannon, George Hay Kain, and others for newsy notes.

BOHEMIA.—In view of our recent references to the forthcoming postage stamps of Bohemia, it is interesting to know that, according to a report from Vienna, the Czecho-Slovak Government has already placed a series of stamps on sale, the central part of the design of which is the Lion of Bohemia. We await confirmation before publishing a more detailed chronicle.—*Stamp Collecting.*

COLOMBIAN REPUBLIC.—We have previously chronicled a new 3c stamp, its color being given as red. It would better be described as red-brown or claret-brown. C. M. Breder sends us word that he has a part-perforate pair. Concerning this Mr. Focke writes:—"This was a provisional issue, and Mr. Breder's pair imperforate between should turn out to be a good thing."

DUTCH INDIES.—We have been advised by a correspondent in Weltevreden that the amounts of the recently issued surcharged stamps were: 1c on 4c, 3,000,000; 17½ on 22½, 500,000; 30c on 1g, 300,000.

Specimens of two of these surcharges have been shown us by Fred S. Martin. The 4c ultramarine is overprinted in the center with a huge figure 1. The surcharge on the 1g reads 30 CENT in one line in black over the original value.

GILBERT & ELLICE ISLANDS.—Mr. J. H. Smyth advises us that the new expected 3d stamp for this colony is not yet on sale, although soon looked for.

HONDURAS.—We have received from Hermann Focke some information concerning some new official stamps. We quote from his letter:—"I discovered amongst a batch of 'untouched' office rubbish a piece of cover bearing five official stamps, 1911-15 issues, one No. 296, three No. 278, and one copy of No. 141 '2 CENTAVOS' on 1c violet with surcharge OFICIAL in red. I do not find this latter recorded in any catalog. The surcharge appears rather blurred and indistinct, almost like a handmade affair, but the piece of cover looks O. K. and the total (25c) is the rate for postage plus registration. I wonder if anyone else has seen this provisional, or is it the product of some enterprising clerk in the Honduras government office?"

INDIA.—The *Philatelic Journal of India* brings a budget of interesting notes on Edwardian and Georgian varieties. Mr. Griffiths has shown the editor two very distinct shades of pink in the 10 rupees Edward on H.M.S. The same gentleman draws attention to marked instances of displaced centering in the 1 rupee Edward, and Mr. R. H. Tucker has an interesting article on varieties of the 1 rupee George, and on shades in the Georgian series generally.—*Alfred Smith's Monthly Circular.*

MEXICO.—Mr. John P. Cooper sends us a strip of 5 of the current 2c stamps with 4 of these showing shift. This is the first example of this that we have seen.

NAURU.—Alfred Smith & Son report that they have had submitted to them the 1d and 2d stamps showing the same peculiarity of overprint:—a breakage in the tail of the "r".

NICARAGUA.—Hermann Focke submits specimens of the 6c olive brown 1914 issue surcharged in three lines "Vale—Cinco centavos—de cordoba." in black. This is to replace the 1915 provisional 5c (Scott's No. 361) although the latter overprint was decidedly better done. Mr. Focke cannot understand how the Nicaragua postal authorities can expect anybody to decipher the new surcharge. The envelope 10c brown 1912 (Scott's type 22) is now surcharged "Vale—Dos centavos—de cordoba" in red instead of black.

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—Mrs. E. W. Oughtred, 376 Claremont Av., Westmount, Quebec, can get no replies to letters addressed D. B. Crockett, Nutley, N. J., and would like to hear from interested parties.

—On account of the similarity of the names of the two Detroit Stamp Clubs, the Detroit Philatelic Society and the Collector's Philatelic Society of Detroit, the latter has changed its name to the Michigan Stamp Club. Address is the same, Fraternity Halls, 140 First St.

—Gerald D. Bliss of Cristobal, Canal Zone, sends us a pictorial postcard from San Jose, Costa Rica. It bears the laconic statement, "First stop on trip to all central American republics".

—The anniversary meeting of the Rhode Island Philatelic Society was a great success and brought out some of the old members who had not been seen for several years. A. B. Slater and Robert S. Emerson showed their very fine collections of the 1847 U. S. first issue, proofs and essays. Charles G. Calder and C. A. Howes were elected honorary members. The following were elected officers for the year: president, Robert S. Emerson; vice president, Wilmarth H. Colwell; sec'y and treas., Roy S. Barker; exchange manager, Jerome Fleischer; executive committee, Frank M. Mason; Robert F. Chambers, W. F. Goerner; auction committee, Edgar McCrillis, Andrew R. Perry, Chas. D. Skinner, Jr.; entertainment committee, E. Tudor Gross, E. S. Godfrey, C. G. Bartlett, Jr.—Roy S. Barker.

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THE STAMPS OF ENEMY COUNTRIES.

(American Philatelic Service.)

American philately is endeavoring to define for itself a policy regarding the postage stamps of the enemy countries; and because of the sentiment against the Hun the problem is not an easy one to solve.

The issue is whether American collectors of the world's stamps ought to rid themselves of the franking adhesives put forth by the Central Powers before, during and since the war. If philatelists in the United States decide to do this it means virtually tearing a score of pages bodily from stamp albums and catalogs and destroying many stamps which are considered among the rare ones.

In England and France it is against the law—it violates one of the statutes enacted during the war—to import postage stamps of Germany, Wurtemberg, Bavaria, Austria, Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey and of any of Germany's former colonies. In the United States there was no such written restriction, and the Government held no objection to the importation—provided this was physically possible, which was rare—of the stamps of these countries and colonies if the stamps had been cancelled (that is, already postally used in the countries of their origin). Nor was there any written restriction against the bringing in of the uncancelled stamps except in the sense that the Trading With the Enemy Act quite properly forbade the purchase by American capital of enemy-made goods—and Patriotic American philatelists interpreted this law to mean current unused enemy postal adhesives.

Now that the war is over it is disclosed that the sentiment regarding the possession and the sale of the stamps of the Central Powers is not, on the whole, the same in the United States as it is in France and England. There are some collectors in America who are advocating that American philately decline forever to have anything to do with the stamps emanating from enemy sources. On the contrary, there are other American collectors who regard this attitude as senseless.

A glance through the stamp dealers' advertisements in England shows how British philatelists feel. "We do not buy or sell war stamps or new issues of Germany, Hungary, German-Austria, Bulgaria or Turkey," announces one leading London stamp house. And another London dealer goes further and proclaims that German stamps of past years, and those to come in the future, are forever banned. This dealer refuses to chronicle German stamps at all in his catalog, and urges collectors not to attempt to acquire enemy adhesives. A recent album put forth in London with spaces in it for war stamps contains no pages at all for the many war labels of the Central Powers. French war stamp catalogs do not chronicle enemy war stamps, and in France and England the collector is obliged to turn to a Swiss dealer in order to obtain a catalog which lists these adhesives.

In American journals devoted to stamp collecting a controversy is raging as to what is to be the American philatelist's attitude. Collectors against the saving of enemy stamps are asserting that to possess them is to be unpatriotic, even tho the stamps may be cancelled ones; and notwithstanding—as pointed out by collectors inclined to be friendly toward German stamps now that the war is over—that the very fact that they are cancelled shows that no American capital went into the German Government's treasury in return for those stamps. During the war it was different, because for every 10 or 20 pfennig German unused postage stamp of current issue which may have been imported into the United States, American money equivalent to 10 or 20 pfennig went to Germany, either directly or indirectly, to help Germany finance the war. Patriotic philatelists recognized that this was obviously wrong and refrained from acquiring such unused labels.

Cable news despatches from Paris recently have reflected the sentiment of the American peace delegates that trade with Germany should be resumed so that Germany may, by benefiting from early economic reconstruction, be in a more favorable position to pay her war indemnities. On this basis, it is argued by philatelists who favor the collecting of German stamps, even the unused labels of current issue, might now properly be purchased, as the importation of postage stamps from Germany is one type of trade. And America was never at war with Turkey and Bulgaria, so that the purchasing of the stamps of those countries today is, in the writer's opinion, a question not of patriotism but one of sentiment only.

Indeed, the United States Government does not forbid American collectors to buy, collect and retain the stamps of Germany and Austria, so that the whole question seems to become one of sentiment. Collectors who hate Germany and Austria will decide, if their hate is consistent, to bar German and Austrian and Hungarian stamps for all time.

Some interesting arguments are advanced pro and con. One of the more striking appears in a recent issue of an American stamp weekly. The writer of that argument, after pointing out how the prices of the earliest German stamps have advanced, says:

"Suppose a greater number of collectors could be induced to eliminate German stamps from their collections; what would be the effect? A large number of German stamps would come into the market and could be sold only at a price which would in most cases mean a loss to the seller. The collector of German stamps probably would welcome such a bear market, as it would enable him to obtain some of the rarer specimens which are almost out of his reach at present quotations. With Germany thoroly democratized and having atoned for her sins, the bitter feeling toward her will disappear, and the stamps would regain in favor, which would enable the buyers to sell their stamps at a profit. In other words, the 100% American would lose money and the pro-German would reap the benefit."

Another writer points out that during the Spanish-American War there was no disposition on the part of American collectors to place a ban for all time on Spanish stamps; and that the slavery issue did not make Northern collectors during the Civil War hostile toward the stamps put forth by the Confederacy.

Whatever are to be the individual inclinations of American collectors toward German stamps, no concerted effort has been made by American philatelic interests—either "stamp fiends" of amateur standing, or dealers, or stamp publications or philatelic societies—to boycott German postal issues, and there is no indication that such an effort will be made.

The American standard catalogs continue to chronicle the appearance of the stamps of the Central Powers, and the American standard albums of future days will contain spaces for such labels. These catalogs do not at present quote any prices on such of the enemy stamps as appeared during the war or since the armistice was signed, but it is certain that this situation will be adjusted after the final peace terms have been imposed and Germany and her allies have complied with those terms.

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The next regular meeting of the Society will be held on March 18 at 8 P. M. The entertainment will consist of an exhibition of Dr. Hubert Lyman Clark's "Blocks of Four." There will also be a competitive exhibition of the stamps of Salvador for medals offered by President Dunning. The applications of Messrs. Warren A. Rowell, J. Harper Blaisdell and Robert M. Stone will be voted upon.

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By EDWIN B. HILL.

Philatelic literature is again coming into its own. The revival, beginning in England previous to the close of the world's war, has penetrated to the uttermost ends of the philatelic world. Nor time nor the greatly increased cost of paper and printing products have in combination been able to abate the enthusiasm with which the old-time collector has returned to his treasures, nor the beginner who has again taken up seriously the foundation stones of his library.

It seems a time indeed propitious. Search for books for the soldiers has caused the ransacking of attics, disclosing boxes of long-neglected and forgotten papers, magazines, catalogues, and other bits of philatelic lore. These have been passed over, as the books of more moment to the soldier have been laid aside. Then, with afterthought of a looking-over, many things have been fetched.

The outlook for the collecting of philatelic literature is roseate indeed. It is doubtful if ever again so many things of rarity will be available in the open markets. To Hugh Vallancey, and to Victor Marsh, both of London, is due the persistent interest which has resulted in the establishment of a clientele of collectors which has not alone allowed them to live as dealers, but has enriched many private libraries here in America as well as in foreign countries. Books, — brochures, — magazines, — papers, — all are carefully treasured by these collectors. But, alas! There is exception: for the wonderful Tiffany library, with its accumulated mass of material, should never have been allowed to leave our shores. However, it has found proper resting-place,—in the archives of the British Museum, the gift of the heirs of the late Lord Crawford.

Unlike the things to collect, which have no end, the things one can readily acquire in philatelic literature will be easily picked up, to a limited extent, at present: the morrow may find them gone irrevocably. I refer particularly to the current publications, — catalogues, monographs, magazines, papers. It is to be regretted the beginner in literature-collecting, like the beginner in stamp-collecting, must go through the same course of training, and suffer the same pangs. He, too, shall know the joys of possession, and the pains of owning the incomplete,—the bibliophilic griefs of the "one cover missing," — "without title-page,"—"mutilated on page 31,"—and all the consequent horrors of collating and finding that the cataloguer has missed the elision of an entire form, or its duplication. But cataloguers are human, and only the collector is divine. He will tell you so,—and courtesy forbids one to disagree either with host or guest.

I began collecting philatelic literature by acquiring a Scott's Catalogue, of up-to-date issue. That was fifteen years ago. One of my last philatelic purchases was the recently issued catalogue of the same firm. But the years between! In storm and stress, — in illness and in health, — the quest has gone on. The Lord Crawford Catalogue,—that monument of philatelic research, for which no man can be a millionth grateful, try so he will,—has been inspiration. It has settled disputed points and aided to a knowledge of things that evaded search and research and study. Humorously, I may note its help in a single instance. I needed a bit of literature to complete a file. I searched two years, and found it not. I wrote the publishers, who, in reply, stated their regrets, &c., &c., that it was "out of stock." Then, finally, I wrote hopelessly to a collector here in America, whose aid I had importuned in the past. As a correspondent, he was generally a distinctive failure. This time, however, his promptness overwhelmed me. "Lord Crawford says it wasn't issued that year," his letter declared. To clinch it, he quoted page and line. Yes, Lord Crawford—or E. D. Bacon, to whom be all praise for the compilation of that literary treasure-house—was right: it wasn't! Then I was mad,—but not at myself,—Oh no! My anger was directed at the publisher who didn't know his own house hadn't "issued" that certain year. So I wrote the friendly man I knew in the firm, and his reply was gently serious. He hadn't seen my letter. Some underling had ob-

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My friend, Walter E. Goodwin, who once dealt largely in philatelic literature, but who now, alas! has given over the pleasure, has placed me under many obligations, as has W. R. Ricketts, than whom no one here in America can approach in knowledge of the literature of Philatelia. I have been set right by both, and aided materially in acquiring elusive "items."

The sale of the philatelic library of F. J. Peplow, of London, was the beginning of the dispersal of great philatelic libraries. I have two catalogues of the sale, one priced by the veteran dealer, Victor Marsh. The prices as a rule were fairly good,—some too good,—while others were passing low. We in America were, regrettably, unable to bid, owing to delays in the mails and late receipt of our catalogues. But from dealers here and there in England, an item or two may still be picked up,—an "association copy" well worthy of preservation. At this sale files of some of the rarest publications known to collectors were disposed of,—a few items absolutely unique.

The acquisition of the Bellamy collection of philatelic literature, numbering more than two thousand *volumes*, by F. Hugh Vallancey, will place upon the market perhaps the finest lot of books to be dispersed since the Peplow sale. The Bellamy collection, however, is not to be auctioned, but is to be listed and sold per item,—for which gratitude beyond words should be extended to the lucky purveyor.

To the novice, the question what to collect is a problem equalled only by that to the more advanced gatherer of philatelic literature,—what *not* to collect. The beginner is well advised when he is cautioned to pick up the handbooks as issued,—especially these put forth by such well-known firms as the Severn-Wylie-Jewett Co., the Melville Handbooks, and the S. C. Handbooks, the last named issued by F. Hugh Vallancey. Subscriptions to the best of the current papers and magazines, especially to the WEEKLY, and the garnering of auction lists, together with a subscription to Berner's *Philatelic Index*, which gives the prices achieved at the various sales, will supply material for any beginner, and the more advanced collector will find in this hint a more than passing note-informative.

My collection embraces many things of absolute worthlessness. By this I do not mean as a whole, for nearly every bit of philatelic writing contains something of interest. I have literally waded through reams of valueless junk to alight upon the one thing for which I sought. And here I am reminded of the kindness and courtesy of a certain editor whose publication I had criticised sharply and, I still think, deservedly. I searched for and advertised for a certain auction-list. He of all collectors seems to have been the one man who had traveled hundreds of miles to attend the auction,—he had made notes all over his copy of the list,—he had been caught in the rain, and, umbrellaless, his catalogue had suffered. Yet he was willing to pass it on to a brother-collector, demurring only at the price I offered: he thought I was paying too much! And later, after he thought he had traced another copy in better condition, he offered an exchange. But, alas! He was disappointed, and I still retain the dog's-eared demoralized copy,—dear indeed to me for association as well as for the priceless notes, made on the spot, during the sale.

While my files of the *London Philatelist* are not wholly complete, by yearly volumes, I still consider myself rich in their acquisition. The rarest of all volumes is probably the first. I paid exactly thirty-five cents for my copy, bound: and I do not as a rule collect bound volumes, preferring original covers, with advertisements. But this was too excellent an opportunity to miss, and besides, I may some day find a collector with whom I may negotiate a trade.

I think my best "find," however, was an old-time collector, who enriched my shelves with bound volumes of the *American Journal of Philately*, including the first ten volumes; Trifet's *Stamp Mercury*, and various other magazines of early days, besides some very rare hand-books. I never expect to see his like again.

One of my dearest treasures is Walter Clark Bellows exquisitely gotten-up volume on "Campeche,"—the gift of the editor of the WEEKLY, in an indirect way: at least, Mr. Bellows, in his letter, sending the volume, said it was at the request of W. O. W.,—my friend of many years, and the encourager of my poor art with the pen and typewriter,—to whom be all praise for publishing!

I have in fact said so little, in this paper,—and there is so much to be said! But I wish to interest the younger generation, and to encourage the older: and so,—no more!

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CANADA NOS. 301-303.

By HUBERT LYMAN CLARK.

(We are pleased to publish this article by Dr. Clark, but feel compelled to quote the statement made by Bright & Son in their priced catalog of war stamps. Bright gives Feb. 12, 1915, as the date of issue of the three stamps overprinted "War Tax" and adds this note:—"These last three stamps were only on sale for one day and have been used for postage although intended originally for a revenue tax. In an official circular to postmasters issued April 16, 1916, occurs the following:—"The postmaster is informed that postage stamps upon which the words War Tax have been printed may be accepted for prepayment of postage and he is to amend his instructions and procedure accordingly'." —W. O. W.)

The new standard catalog is indeed a great source of satisfaction, but of course there is sure to be "a fly in the ointment" and no doubt each one of us will find his own particular fly! Mine is the trio of Canadian stamps numbered 301-303. These are not *postage* stamps, nor are they revenues whose use for postage was authorized. The enclosed letters seem to be very clear on this point. Last winter a Canadian dealer sent me what were evidently *postally used* blocks of Nos. 301 and 302. I at once wrote the postmaster-general at Ottawa and received the first of the two letters appended hereto. As this was not wholly convincing I wrote again, and the second letter was my reply. So far as I can see, these stamps are no more *postage* stamps than are some of our Civil War revenues, which are well-known to have done postal duty on various occasions. Such stamps were not intended or authorized for use as postage stamps, and in my opinion ought not to be included in our standard catalog. The fact that certain subordinate officials or postmasters countenanced their use on mail is of no importance.

Exhibit No. 1.—Letter from E. J. Lemaire, Superintendent of the Postage Stamp Branch, Post Office Department, Canada. Dated Ottawa, Jan. 28, 1918:

"The stamps to which you refer were originally postage stamps but were turned over to the Department of Inland Revenue, which had them surcharged for revenue purposes, first "War Tax" and later "Inland Revenue War Tax." These stamps, which were of the 5, 20 and 50c denominations, immediately lost all postage value, becoming merely revenue stamps. If they were actually used for postage it was only through a slip or an accident, and certainly there was no authority for their use."

Exhibit No. 2.—From letter of Mr. Lemaire dated Feb. 12, 1918:

"I beg to inform you that the postmasters of this country were circularized at different times to the effect that the 5, 20 and 50c stamps surcharged "War Tax" and issued by the Inland Revenue Department as revenue stamps, should in no case be accepted for postage."

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—From a mixture of U. S. stamps John B. Newton of Hartford, Conn., obtained a 2c stamp, Scott's No. 265, with an overprint of the letters "U. S." in large size capital letters. The surcharge is in black and the letters, while narrow, are nearly as tall as the stamp itself. The stamp has a punch cancellation and in addition is cancelled with oblique lines. All in all it is a curious thing and may be the product of some erratic genius. We think it best to note the variety in the possibility of securing further information.

—"At one time I had practically a corner on the 5c, 1847, sold out my holdings, 2687 copies, in 1916 for an even $5,000. This lot contained all of the varieties except a block of four which I was never able to buy. This stamp was my specialty for ten years and some wealthy collector now possesses the cream, purchasing them through the Nassau Stamp Co. Do you know who got them?"—Occasionally an item of this kind filters through the daily grind and livens up the routine. The Nassau Co. has never unbosomed itself in the direction indicated, so far as we are concerned.

—The Midland Stamp Co., Midland, Ont., Can., have removed to 533 Euclid Av., Toronto. The firm is much better located for the service of its patrons and expects to be a regular user of WEEKLY space.

—The Toledo Stamp Co. reports difficulty in securing replies to letters addressed to Alexandro Garcia, Remedios, Cuba.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from Emil Kostner, Geo. T. Simpson, Joseph W. Beggs.

—It will interest the members of the S. P. A. to know that C. V. Webb, who was secretary of the society from 1912-1917, has resumed his former position, due to the resignation of A. E. Gorham, whose government position requires his entire time. Secretary Webb promises to keep things moving during these closing months of the association year.

—We notice in various papers the advertising of the Hermes Stamp Co. This firm now advertising from Cape Cottage, Me., was an advertiser in the WEEKLY in 1918. We were compelled to discontinue the firm's advertising for non-payment of bills and when we took the matter up with the firm at the new address we were coolly informed that the company had changed management.

PERSIA.

The stamps of the Orientals always have a fascination for the collector just as their lands have for the traveller, their art for the artist, their literature for the student. This is partly due to differences in method, in viewpoint, in thought, just as Kipling says:

"For East is East and West is West
And never the two shall meet."

It is also partly due to a certain mysticism, romance and symbolism which usually attaches to Oriental things in contradistinction to those of the prosaic Occident. So much that is strange and unusual from designs to inscriptions is found on Oriental stamps that they never become monotonous to one who is willing to study them for themselves.

While Oriental lands were the first to institute what we now know as "The Post," yet they were the last to adopt the improvement that made possible the great success of "The Post" today—namely, the humble postage stamp. China claims to have instituted the first post—then a government courier service only—nearly three thousand years ago. Xenophon tells us that Cyrus the Great of Persia instituted a similar post nearly twenty-five hundred years ago; and allowing for more uncertainty in the Chinese annals it may be that the two systems are not so far apart in age after all. But while Persia was progressive according to the times twenty-five centuries ago, she has hardly been very progressive in recent times according to present-day standards. Her post has been "farmed out" to contractors who have "squeezed" what they could out of it and rendered as little in return as possible.

A deputation of Persians visited Paris in 1868 and interviewed the Ministry of Posts concerning the establishment of a European postal system. They brought back with them sixteen copper dies or clichés representing four different values

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EDITORIAL.

Returns—The news of the return of Carroll Chase, *Medecin Aide Major,* to our shores is most gratifying; and we voice our welcome home to him in cheers. His war record is a shining one and now we make obeisance to Dr. Chase, not alone as a philatelist of renown but also as a man whose high sense of duty lead him to dedicate his services to humanity's cause at a time when his example was particularly inspiring. We understand that there is a philatelic celebration, if it may be called so, in his honor and we know that several students from a distance have gone to visit him; and the communion will have its scientific aspects, as ways and means will be discussed by the coterie for further study of United States issues. We regard Dr. Chase almost as the pioneer of intensive study of United States early issues. His plate reconstruction of the three cent of 1851 was the first complete systematic investigation of that stamp; and the company of keen enthusiasts who are pursuing their tasks with him are to continue their triumphs, we say expectantly.

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Read—Inasmuch as so many readers have called our attention to a reference to stamp collecting in the article, "A Woman's Woman," by Nalbro Bartley, in the *Saturday Evening Post* of February 15th, 1919, we shall print the excerpt as showing how stamp collecting may range from the sublime to the ridiculous: "John had been a devoted lover-husband then, doing well in the business and affording his uncle leisure for flute practice, garden, surreptitious candy making during Aunt Sally's absence, his harmless hobby of postage-stamp collecting. Uncle Herbert spent more and more time in his study, clad in a scarlet quilted dressing robe and balancing Southey's Common-Place Book on his knee." We have no quarrel with Uncle Herbert for taking philately as he likes it but it must be admitted that there is a wide gulf between the philately of this kind and that pursued by the students who apply themselves seriously to the stamp. Philately in a dressing robe may be *au fait,* but the thought of it is not stimulating. Even men who thought themselves sick enough to stay at home and engage in stamp work and play, clothe themselves more ceremoniously.

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Revenues—In reporting the appearance of the twenty cent documentary revenue stamp without either the Stock Transfer or Future Delivery surcharges from Omaha, a reader asks why this stamp is not to be had in Chicago. He wonders if the surcharge may not have been omitted by mistake. Slowly, additions are being made to the list of the unsurcharged stamps, and it is evident that some localities receive certain stamps long before other places. It was said that the three dollar lake of the 1900 documentary set was never on sale in Chicago and that collectors there who were working in institutions that used large numbers of revenue stamps that they could obtain later, ordered sheets of the $3 lake from Omaha, it happens as a coincidence. If this or that stamp is not in the list of holdings at one revenue office, it does not follow that it is not included in the stock of another city.

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Rascal—Occasionally we have encountered the sacrilegious collector who with pen and ink inserted a pipe between the lips of Franklin on the five cent, 1847, or added whiskers to Washington on a good stamp, but to these grotesqueries must be added the work of a new genius. Some dabbler in paints turned his baleful eye on the stamps of the 1869 set and colored them fancifully with his brush. The eagle on the ten cent was turned into a green bird and the waves of the twelve cent were transformed into blue. The picture of the declaration of independence on the twenty-four defied his ingenuity and so he made it a blank yellow panel. At last accounts the buyer of the collection was seeking a solvent for the pigments that outraged the stamps.

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Remedy—We have seen collections taken from vaults where the weight of the binders and pages in conjunction with moisture in the air caused the original gum to attach itself to the pages. A reader advises that rubber sheeting in which to seal the albums or books of stamps be bought. After the stamps are sealed in this rubber coating, it would seem as though the owner of valuable stamps could sleep o' nights, no matter how hot they were.

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Review—Our latest book, "Postage Stamps Worth Fortunes," by Fred. J. Melville, is priced at fifteen cents. We intend to give this, our twenty-sixth booklet, a wide circulation, so as to arrest whenever possible the attention of the non-collector. We know of no surer way to catch his eye than to proclaim the fact that there is great monetary value in stamps. The money interest is a common possession of collector and non-collector alike. Speaking of our publications, we have some tales to relate that those who know how sparse the returns are from the publishing of philatelic works will look at us suspiciously, but we aver that not only has the second edition of the "Beginner's Guide" been exhausted, but that the booklet on the three cent green is almost sold out. Even the most sanguine publisher would have hesitated to predict that a work on a subject wholly specialistic would be a best seller. Too, our book on U. S. envelopes is about ready for a second edition.

Recorded—Mr. Benjamin Cadbury has our thanks for informing us that "a list of the locations of the various post offices of the U. S. Expeditionary Forces is in the *Official U. S. Bulletin* for December 23rd, 1918, page 8." This *Bulletin* is kept on file by some of the postmasters; and it will prove particularly interesting to those who are fond of military postmarks originating abroad. We are making additions to our list of markings that have been used and we thank Mr. Ted J. Tyrrell for a batch of envelopes showing different varieties of postmarks. Mr. Tyrrell says, by-the-way, that he found the Canadian special delivery stamps and some of the general issue of Canada on sale recently at the Minneapolis post office. Just under what arrangements or stipulations the Canadian stamps are sold we cannot say.

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Reached—Persistence pays, as this letter shows: "It was with some regret that I was forced to admit that my son, otherwise unobjectionable, would never develop into a stamp collector. The years have proceeded on their well-known way and it comes to pass that I am now the grandfather of a boy of seven, and I am glad to say that he has taken to collecting with a whoop. He is in line to get a fine collection before many years have passed."

DEATH OF H. J. SCHMIDT.

A letter from M. Ohlman conveys the sad tidings that H. J. Schmidt, formerly of Pittsburgh, Pa., was killed in action in France on November 1. This information will be received with deep regret by many of our readers, who will remember Mr. Schmidt as an advertiser in the WEEKLY up to the time he entered the service. The WEEKLY received several letters from him while in France and they all breathed a keen interest in the hobby and expressed the hope that the writer might soon be back again as an advertiser in the WEEKLY. We are unable to give more than the bare fact of Mr. Schmidt's death and shall be glad to publish a supplementary sketch of his philatelic career if any of our Pittsburgh readers can favor us.

PICTURE TALKS ON STAMPS.

By HOWARD S. ABBOTT.

(If we mistake not there are at least three illustrated stamp lectures in existence, one the property of the Chicago Philatelic Society, one belonging to Mr. John N. Luff, and the third the property of the Boston Philatelic Society. Mr. Abbott's idea is certainly a good one and valuable missionary work could be done by our various stamp clubs in using these illustrated talks on stamps. The matter of making slides to supply the market has never been tried.—W. O. W.)

I have been very much interested in the articles appearing in your WEEKLY of late bearing upon the educational side of philately. I am a humble and lowly devotee of the "hobby" and have a collection of about 22,000, mostly unused. I have been asked a number of times to talk about "stamps" to Boy Scout troops and in one instance to the junior boys of a preparatory school. I think a talk illustrated with lantern slides would be most entertaining as well as instructive. Have the slides include several stamps of a co-ordinated subject: natural history; change of rulers; ships; commemorative issues; etc., etc. I have made several inquiries but have failed of results along this line. I wish very much that your paper or some dealer in a position to handle the matter understandingly would prepare such slides for sale at a moderate price.

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By B. W. H. POOLE.

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PERMITS.—Printed notices appearing on third class matter to indicate that the necessary postage has been prepaid. These permits are used by firms mailing large quantities of circulars, catalogues, etc., under government regulation, and serve practically the same function as precancelled stamps.

POSTAL GUIDES.—These are official guide books issued by the Post Office departments in many countries for disseminating postal information.

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PRINTER'S WASTE.—A term sometimes applied to errors and freaks in postage stamps which may reasonably be suspected of having become circulated by more or less illegitimate means.

PROPRIETARY STAMPS.—Stamps issued in connection with taxes levied on proprietary articles.

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PRISONER'S LETTERS. — Letters mailed by prisoners of war, which are not as a rule franked with stamps but bear some indication of the fact that they are from prisoners.

PENALTY ENVELOPES. — Envelopes used for carrying departmental mail in the United States since special adhesive stamps were used. They are so-called from the fact that on the face of each is printed a warning against their use for private mail with a statement of the penalty to be enforced in case of such illegal use.

HOLTE LAND-POST.—A local post of Denmark in connection with which postage stamps were issued. Holte is a town in Zealand, about 12 miles north of Copenhagen, and the stamps issued in connection with this local post seem to have had at least as good a standing as the similar stamps issued by various firms in the United States. They are not, however, postage stamps in the generally accepted meaning of the term.

HYDROMETER STAMPS. — Labels issued by the United States Commissioner of Internal Revenue as proof of the accuracy of hydrometers which have been scientifically tested. A hydrometer is a glass instrument used for determining the specific gravity and purity of liquids. At one end is a bulb 25 mm. in diameter and 90 mm. long, which is attached to a stem 95 mm. long and 6 mm. thick. The instrument is marked with a graduated scale and by the depth to which it sinks in the liquid the specific gravity and purity is calculated. During the process of manufacture a label is introduced into the bulb by an agent of the Commissioner of Inland Revenue as proof that it has been properly tested. These labels, known as hydrometer stamps to collectors, are inscribed "Internal Revenue," "U. S." and "Standard Hydrometer," and are printed at the Government Bureau in Washington.

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The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Many of our friends have kindly remembered us by sending us copies of the new Victory Stamp. It seems that the variety has been very well distributed. Your editor had the pleasure of viewing the proof submitted to the Postmaster-General, and it may be of interest to mention that it was approved by him on February 3rd.

The stamp has by no means met with a warm reception, and philatelists throughout are criticizing the design. Daily newspapers in describing it speak of the figure as "Liberty," for they cannot conceive why the scale of Justice should be in the hands of "Victory."

For information regarding this stamp we wish to thank Miss Elizabeth C. Buchanan and Messrs. Raymond S. Williams, C. M. Breder, H. C. Eckert, and W. H. Wilkerson.

Mr. A. E. Owen advises us that he has obtained a part sheet of the 9c unwatermarked, perforation 11, stamped, by means of a rubber stamp, on the back "October 28th—Subjects missing from this sheet properly accounted for. Custodian of Presses." This is a most interesting block, for we believe in the past such part sheets were always destroyed.

In a recent issue we had the pleasure of describing a compound envelope made up of the round die 1c green and the 2c carmine. Mr. D. E. Eaton now informs us that he has located a compound envelope consisting of the 3c purple Die A in connection with the 2c carmine Die A, on white, size 3, knife 80, watermark 20. This is an unused copy and came from a bank in New York City. From the description furnished, we learn that the 3c impression is properly placed upon the envelope and that the 2c impression is to the right of the three and folds through the center of the figure "2" and the bottom of the D in "United," so that about ½" shows on the front and the balance on the back of the envelope.

Mr. A. H. Robertson has had the good fortune of running across a cover from Richmond wherein postage due of 6c was paid by means of a block of six of the current 1c documentary stamps, properly cancelled. He has also received a registered letter from Newport News which came through with only 3c postage paid and had passed through all hands. When he called the attention of the postal clerk to the fact that proper postage had not been paid, they collected the due by attaching two of the 5c current postage stamps. It is most unusual for a letter to come through in this manner for the postal regulations distinctly mention that registered letters must be fully prepaid.

We described in some detail, in our issue of last week the Provisional Documentary Revenue Stamps surcharged by the Philadelphia Collector of Internal Revenue NARCOTIC for use in accordance with the new Revenue Law. Since we published this list Mr. Eugene Klein has advised us of further varieties.

It seems that the original printing was surcharged by means of a rubber stamp in black, and later when a further supply was required the clerk happened to use a different ink pad, resulting in a second printing in violet. We, consequently, have two series of provisional Philadelphia surcharges. These, by the way, lasted but a few days when superseded by a printed supply from Washington surcharged at the Bureau of Engraving & Printing. This latter overprint is in black capitals, horizontally across the top of the stamp. So far we have seen the 1c value only.

Mr. Harmon Wendell also favors us with three provisionals from Detroit. These evidently were surcharged by means of a rubber stamp and consist of three values only, namely 2c, 4c and 8c. The rubber stamp used for this surcharge has the word NARCOTIC placed in horizontal rows one above the other, spaced about three mm. apart. Thus two to three surcharges cover each stamp. The printing is done in dark purplish red. Probably other values have been issued, but we have not seen them.

We also understand that the New York Collector issued a series with a diagonal surcharge, but as yet we have seen none of these and are only mentioning a rumor. To date we know of the following:

Proprietary Revenues—1919 Philadelphia Provisionals, surcharged NARCOTIC.

First Series—Black Surcharge: 1c; (a) double overprint, horizontal and diagonal; 2c; 4c; 5c; 8c; 8c double overprint, horizontal and diagonal; 8c double overprint, both horizontal; 10c; 20c; 50c; 50c inverted surcharge; 80c all red and $1.00 green, double overprint, horizontal and vertical.

Second Series—Violet Surcharge 2c; 3c; 4c; 5c; 8c; 10c; 50c; 80c all red and $1.00 green.

Detroit Provisionals, surcharged "Narcotic" in violet red, 2c; 4c and 8c red.

Regular issue—Surcharged at Bureau NARCOTIC, 1c red.

We know that other cities issued provisionals and we would thank our readers to furnish us with specimens for Chronicle.

We wish to thank Messrs. Julius F. Muller, Arthur B. Berresford and Alex. Sweney for notes of interest.

DOMINICA.—Mr. Frank M. Mason has shown us copies of the new War Stamps of this colony. The 2½d orange has been surcharged WAR TAX 1½d in two lines. The 3d stamp has been surcharged WAR TAX in one line. Both values are printed in red and the type of the 3d surcharge is the same as the last printing, while the 1½d value is a little smaller.

HAIDERABAD.—From Mr. N. S. Nagarwalla we have received the ½ anna *envelope* with the stamp impressed in a new color—purple-brown. Our correspondent believes that the adhesive stamp of the same value may shortly undergo a similar change.—*Alfred Smith's Monthly Circular.*

JUGOSLAVIA-BOSNIA.—A provisional issue surcharged on the remainders of the Bosnia & Herzegovina Jubilee issue of 1910. The surcharge is partly in Roman and partly in Cyrillian letters with new values as follows:—"Drzava S. H. S.—1918 1918—Bosna i Hercegovina."

Regular Postage Stamps: 3, 5, 10, 20, 25, 30, 40, 45, 50, 60, 80, 90h, 2, 3, 5, 10k. Postage Due: 2, 4, 5, 6, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50h, 1, 3k. Special Delivery: 2, 5h. Charity Stamps: 10+2, 15+2h,—*Albemarle Stamp Collector.*

JUGOSLAVIA-CROATIA.—On the current stamps of Hungary there appear a series for Croatia, Salvonia, Istria, Fiume and Mureck surcharged as follows:—"S. H. S.—Hrvatska."

Regular Postage Stamps: 2, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 35, 40, 50, 75, 80h, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10k. Charity Stamps: 10+2, 20+5, 45+5h. Postage Dues: 2, 10, 15, 20, 30, 50h.—*Albemarle Stamp Collector.*

RUSSIA.—An interesting item has been shown us by Mr. Brauer, in the shape of an envelope received from Archangel, bearing, alongside a copy of the 20 kopecs of the Arms series, one of the 10 kopecs of the Savings Bank labels. While, however, the postal adhesive is postmarked in the ordinary way with the Archangel postmark, there has been no attempt to obliterate the Savings Bank stamp, so that perhaps the latter was only applied as a novelty and not

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SPAIN.—We have received copies of the 2c value in a new and paler shade of brown. According to *Philatelia*, this stamp has appeared *imperforate*, but our latest specimens all have the customary perforation, gauging 14. Readers will recall that the 15c bright violet already exists in imperforate state.—*Stamp Collecting.*

SWEDEN.—At last the 27 öre value has appeared in the permanent portrait type Mr. W. T. Wilson, writing January 31 states that it has just been placed on sale, being in peacock blue.

We purposely omitted to chronicle, in detail, the notorious "Landsturm" provisionals of two years ago (the issues of 1872-91, overprinted "FRIMARKE LANDSTURMEN") and are naturally disappointed at the appearance of some further varieties. As to one's attitude towards the stamps, whether to collect or boycott them, that is dependent upon the measure of one's inclination towards helping to buy new trousers for the Swedish soldiers! In view of the "cold shoulder" which the authorities undoubtedly experienced in this connexion in 1917, we wonder at their temerity in issuing further examples. The latter are described by Mr. W. D. Scott, who writes:—

"I have just received some new Swedish stamps of which I have not seen any notice in your valuable paper. They are the 'Landstormen' issue, again surcharged. The 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 öre have '7' in the upper corners, the '5 öre' of the original surcharge being obliterated by three horizontal lines in black, the word 'Fem' obliterated by thick line in black, and a '3' placed in each corner, much smaller numerals than the '7', which is the same as the last provisionals.

"The 12, 20, 24, 30, and 50 öre are the same, except that there is a '12' in the upper corners and '8' at the bottom. The '12' is also the same size as the last provisionals. The '8' is, again, the same size as the '3' in the other denominations. I have also received a used copy of the above, postmarked '2 January.' Two booklets have come to hand, one containing the 7 öre and the other the 12 öre permanent issues. The booklets contain twenty stamps each, and they are arranged in two leaves of ten each, with the outside four stamps turned in over the others. The booklets are slightly larger than the ones issued before. There are no interleaves, postal directions being on the covers. The 7 öre booklet is green and the 12 öre is red."—*Stamp Collecting.*

TURKS AND CAICOS.—The 3d value has appeared with the "War Tax" overprint in red.—*Stamp Collecting.*

URUGUAY.—The interesting announcement is made that this republic is about to issue a series of "Peace" stamps.

M. Arthur Maury points out that several values of the current series, notably the 1c and the 20c, are now appearing on almost transparent paper, and in modified colours—*e.g.* emerald-green for the 1c and "coffee" for the 20c.—*Stamp Collecting.*

PERSIA.

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for printing stamps, but these were not used until 1870, when a local printer of Teheran was ordered to print a supply which he did by hand, sometimes singly, sometimes in strips of four. These were of the well known design listed in the catalog as issued in "1868," showing the arms of Persia, a lion "passant gardant" holding a scimitar in his right paw and with the sun in splendor rising over his back. There were no inscriptions and only the Persian figures of value in the corner circles. These stamps were used in a desultory way on the post route from Teheran to Ispahan but the information at last reached to the fact that no cancellation had been provided for and the stamps were being used more than once: they also found that the printer had printed a large surplus stock for his own benefit, so the use of the stamps was finally stopped early in 1871.

In 1875, another attempt was made to reorganize the post and Mr. Riederer, an Austrian postal official, was called to Teheran. He was given the old dies to make a new issue from, but he took the precaution to destroy the remainder of the previous issue still on hand and also to cut corresponding Arabic numerals of value under the belly of the lion to distinguish the new prints from any old ones still outstanding. As these numerals were all inserted by hand there are of course four varieties for each value. The denomination was in "shahis," a coin then worth about a cent American money. The impressions were rough and unsatisfactory and Mr. Riederer naturally turned to Vienna to get something better for his uses. The result was the stamps with the Shah's portrait issued in August, 1876. These stamps were made at the Austrian State Printing office and it is stated the design was suggested by the Shah, who at that time was Nasr-ed-Din.

The need of stamps of higher values became apparent in the latter part of 1878 and pending the receipt of a new supply the old dies were again made use of at Teheran for stamps of 1, 4 and 5 krans and 1 toman. The kran, nominally the same as the French franc, was of 20 shahis and the toman was 10 krans. The old "1" dies used for the new kran and toman stamps, being somewhat worn, had a broad white circle cut around the numerals in the four corners, and the "8" dies were altered to make "5" instead for the 5 kran stamps. In February, 1879, the 1 and 5 kran stamps with the Shah's head arrived from Vienna and were issued. They were printed from the plates used for the 1 and 5 shahi stamps, but were distinguished by a heavy colored border. In January, 1880, the four shahi values were changed to correspond—having a heavy colored border but being changed to new colors as well.

New designs were now desired and these were gotten up in Paris but the stamps were printed as before in Vienna. Being in a hurry for them, a small supply of the three lowest values was lithographed and forwarded to Teheran the latter part of 1881—about 10,000 each of the 5 and 10 centimes and 5,000 of the 25 centimes. The change in currency was due to the desire of the Shah to bring the Persian post office more in harmony with the European post offices, and being an admirer of France, which had considerable commercial interest in Persia, he tried to have the French currency adopted. As the kran was nominally a franc, the 5, 10 and 25 centime stamps simply replaced the 1, 2 and 5 shahi stamps. The experiment did not succeed, however, and brought forth so much opposition that the next issue returned to Persian currency. The lithographs were followed in January, 1882, by the same stamps engraved on copper. They are readily distinguished, the engraved being finer and clearer impressions and having the Arabic figures of value on a ground of horizontal lines, while the lithographs are coarser in appearance and the figures are on a solid ground.

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The return to Persian money was signalized in November, 1882, by the appearance of the green stamp (previously 25 centimes) with a colored figure 5 on a *white* ground, thus corresponding to the Persian inscription "5 shahi" in the left upper circle and *Panj* (*"five"*) in the right upper circle. There are two varieties of the stamp, one having but two instead of three dots at the right end of the scroll bearing the Persian inscription. The lack of a dot makes the first Persian word (reading to the left) *yosta* instead of *posta*, the former being meaningless. At the same time the FORMER 50 centimes appeared with "10" substituted in a white circle, thus corresponding with the Persian "10 shahi" in the left upper corner and DAH (*"ten"*) at the right.

During the year 1882 the rest of the set in French currency appeared, but with a design bearing the Shah's portrait. The 50 centimes in gray and the 5 and 10 francs are said not to have been issued for postage, except the two former as surcharged in 1885-7. They could be bought postmarked at Teheran for a small amount, however.

In March, 1885, a new series of small stamps, again designed in Paris and lithographed in Vienna, was issued in two designs, the three higher values being a reduced copy of the large portrait stamps of the previous set. It is to be noticed that the denomination is now rendered *chahi* which is simply the French spelling of the coin, the English rendering being *shahi* or *shahy*.

The batch of provisionals issued from 1885 to 1887 bear the word "OFFICIEL", but were not intended for Service stamps. The word signifies that the new values were officially authorized, but the stamps are regular postage stamps.

In November, 1889, a new series lithographed this time in Paris made its appearance, to be followed just two years later by another lithographed again in Vienna; 1894 saw a much better series which was typographed by Messrs. Enschedé of Haarlem, Holland, who have since produced Persia's stamps.

The 1898 issue was occasioned by the accession of a new Shah, Muz affar-ed-Din, who was enthroned at Teheran on June 8, 1896. The fancy surcharges appearing later on these stamps were due to the theft of a large quantity, those on hand being supplied with the control marks for validation.

In 1902 and 1903, a dearth of stamps caused the various locally produced surcharges and provisionals listed in the Standard Catalog from number 191 through 352. Another new set from Holland appeared in 1903, only to be followed by a new series of surcharges as before.

In 1907 Mohammed Ali became Shah and in 1908 a new set bearing his portrait appeared. The 50 kran stamp is interesting as showing him wearing the great crown of the "Kajars," as the ruling family of Persia is called. But Mohammed Ali was driven into exile in 1909 and was succeeded by his young son, Sultan Ahmed Mirza, whose portrait is found on a new issue in 1911, an issue showing only the arms having taken place meanwhile in 1909. More surcharges have followed as usual in which the specialist will find interest, but the ordinary collector will be much more interested in the only commemorative issue of Persia which appeared in 1915 to celebrate the coronation of little Shah Ahmed Mirza on July 21, 1914! The crown is here shown again on the low values. The kran values give a representation of King Darius seated upon his throne, this being from a bas-relief on the door-frame of the Hall of a Hundred Columns at Persepolis, the ancient capital. The toman values show the gateway of the Palace of Darius at Persepolis as it now stands in ruins.—*N. E. Stamp Monthly.*

DICTIONARY ADDENDA.

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McKAY LABELS.—These are often confused with postage or revenue stamps by young collectors. The McKay labels show a picture of a sewing-machine surrounded by the inscription "McKay Sew. Mach. Co. License Stamp, Patd. Aug 14, 1860". They were issued in the state of Massachusetts during and some time after the Civil War to certify that the royalty due on each pair of shoes, in the making of which the McKay machine was used, had been paid.

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PATAGONIA.—The southern portion of the Argentine Republic for which special stamps have been erroneously reported from time to time. The stamps used there are, of course, the ordinary ones of the Argentine.

PIERRE MARQUETTE R. R.—The parlor car tickets issued by this Railroad Company during 1901-3 had a 1c revenue stamp engraved on them as part of the design, just like the old stamped checks.

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PLIMPTON ENVELOPES.—In 1874 the contract for manufacturing the stamped envelopes for the United States was awarded to the Plimpton Manufacturing Company. The designs are but poor imitations of the Reay issue of 1870, though the Plimpton series are of great interest to the specialist on account of the diversity of paper used and the numerous dies.

PATENT LINES.—Heavy ruled lines shown on the inside of the flaps of early United States envelopes. They are so-called from the fact that in addition to the lines, the words "Patented Nov. 20 1855" appear.

O. L.—Some of the stamps of Monaco are found overprinted with the letters "O. L." within a circle of dots and though these varieties are still listed in some catalogues as a special postal emission, this handstamp is really nothing more than a special postmark. The letters mean "origine locale" (of local origin) and this special mark was impressed on the stamps on letters handed to postmen on their rounds or collected by them from the mail boxes in territory which was really French. This arrangement, under which Monaco or French stamps were used indiscriminately within a limited area, came to an end in 1908 and the "O. L." cancellation ceased to be used thereafter.

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The page advertisement of W. C. Phillips & Co. is the outstanding feature, and crowded with timely offerings it will attract much attention. This firm has been a liberal user of WEEKLY space for many years and has developed a business of large proportions.

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Theodore Champion of Paris, who has advertised with us regularly throughout the war period, is represented in this number. His well-known catalog is now on sale and it has always been well patronized by American collectors. The persistency with which this firm has carried on its business even when the turmoil of war was close to its office doors warrants us in giving the House of Champion a more extended notice and this we shall do in a nearby issue of the WEEKLY. It has always been a pleasure for the WEEKLY to do business with this long established and thoroughly reliable firm.

There are several advertisements each occupying an eighth page scattered through this number, but we desire to especially mention Geo. C. Ginn & Co., who was a frequent advertiser with us in the pre-war period. He makes a specialty of fine stamps but in this issue he advertises as well a packet, one that we have seen and know to be all that is represented. The firm of Ginn & Co. is one of the leaders in the London stamp trade and we hope and believe that it will resume its oldtime business relationship with the WEEKLY. It will no doubt depend quite largely upon what our subscribers say and do.

Another old-time advertiser is well introduced to our subscribers this week. We refer to A. A. Hyde of Sherman, Texas, a former advertiser who again feels the lure of the stamp business. This announcement is well worth reading and Mr. Hyde informs us that he expects to have regular advertisements hereafter.

The Osgood advertisement reached us just as we went to press. Its offerings of British Colonials will no doubt bring large patronage. Mr. Osgood occasionally runs a large adv. in the WEEKLY and his use of this number is ample evidence that advertising in the WEEKLY pays.

During the past few weeks several new advertisers have come to our columns using our three-in-one contract. This week we welcome W. T. Robey who has won a secure place in the philatelic fame in discovering the 24c aero invert.

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Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

THE U. S. 30c AND 90c 1857-'60.

By ELLIOTT PERRY.

The first 30c and 90c postage stamps issued by the United States are quite unlike in color and design and at first glance appear to have little in common. A deeper investigation shows them to have unsuspected similarities, and if we study the method by which they were produced the close relationship between them soon becomes strikingly apparent. They are so much alike in some particulars that a better understanding of the reasons for the peculiarities to be found in them may be obtained by studying them together than by studying each of them separately. For this reason they will be considered together in this article.

Like other denominations of the series of 1851-'56 and 1857-'60, the 30c and 90c stamps were printed from plates of 200 subjects, each plate consisting of two panes placed side by side. The subjects were arranged in ten rows of ten on each pane. A vertical guide line separated the panes and, so far as is known, the stamps were not perforated along this guide line. There was only one 30c plate and one 90c plate, and each bore the plate number 1. The size of the engraved area on these two plates was exactly the same, or practically the same, as on other plates of the "B" group made during or after 1857. (See the article of Aug. 24, 1918, on perforations of the 1857-'60 series.)

As were other denominations of the series, the 30c and 90c were rocked onto their plates by transfer rolls containing several designs in relief, used in multiple. Transfer rolls containing six reliefs were used on the 5c and 24c plates and on some of the 1c plates made during or after 1857, and quite possibly also on 3c and 10c plates, but the six relief method appears not to have been used on the 30c and 90c plates, for careful study of these two denomiantions will show either that they were rocked in from rolls containing less than six designs in relief, or if the rolls contained six reliefs, that some of the reliefs were not used.

Such evidence as has been available to the writer indicates the use of transfers having either three reliefs or four—probably four. These reliefs appear on the plates in the following order, each stamp design in any horizontal row being always from the same relief:—

30c Reliefs (Read up)	*Rows*	*90c Reliefs* (Read down)
No. 4	1	No. 1
No. 3	2	No. 2
No. 2	3	No. 3
No. 4	4	No. 4
No. 3	5	No. 2
No. 2	6	No. 3
No. 4	7	No. 4
No. 3	8	No. 2
No. 2	9	No. 3
No. 1	10	No. 4

The reader will note that on both denominations the order of the reliefs is the same; that is, 1, 2, 3, 4—2, 3, 4,—2, 3, 4,—but that we have commenced at the top of the plate on the 90c and at the bottom of the plate on the 30c. Some evidence that this may be the correct order of the reliefs can be found on the stamps, but to the writer it seems more probable that the above arrangement is upside down and that the plates were not rocked in according to that plan, but as follows:—

30c Reliefs (Read down)	*Rows*	*90c Reliefs* (Read up)
No. 1	1	No. 4
No. 2	2	No. 3
No. 3	3	No. 2
No. 1	4	No. 1
No. 2	5	No. 3
No. 3	6	No. 2
No. 1	7	No. 1
No. 2	8	No. 3
No. 3	9	No. 2
No. 4	10	No. 1

By this arrangement the same general result is obtained, differing from the first arrangement only in that the 90c commences at the bottom and the 30c at the top. The position of the reliefs remains unchanged, but the numbers assigned to them are reversed:—

No. 1 becomes No. 4
No. 2 becomes No. 3
No. 3 becomes No. 2
No. 4 becomes No. 1

There is a possibility also that the odd relief which makes up the bottom row on the 30c and the odd relief which makes up the top row on the 90c are not separate 4th reliefs in each case, but may perhaps be one of the other three reliefs—presumably No. 1—altered. However, the writer cannot demonstrate this to be a fact, and for the purpose of explaining the variations found on the stamps will assume that four reliefs were used and that rocking commenced at the top of the 30c plate and at the bottom of the 90c plate and proceeded according to the second plan given.

It may seem of trivial importance whether the rocking of the transfers commenced at the top or at the bottom of the plates, and the writer realizes the risk he takes of appearing to exaggerate trifling details; yet if the reader will bear in mind this one fact, that the stamp designs on one of these two plates were rocked in commencing at the top of the plate and moving downwards, and on the other that rocking commenced at the bottom of the plate and moved upwards, the cause for the quite remarkable varieties of a similar character found on the 30c and 90c stamps will easily be understood.

In comparing the 30c plate to the 90c plate, it is quite obvious that the reverse order of the reliefs could be obtained as readily by reversing one of the transfer rolls—starting it at one end rather than at the other end—as by reversing one of the plates. In other words, the 90c plate could have been rocked in from the *top*, using the reliefs in the order 4, 3, 2, 1—3, 2, 1—3, 2, 1, but the writer is unable to reconcile this order of rocking in the stamp designs with what we find on the stamps.

Many of the stamps from these two plates show shifts in their designs. Some of the shifts are very noticeable. Others are only slight. Most of them come in the 4th and 7th horizontal rows—in the *upper left* corner of the 30c stamps and in the *lower right* corner of the 90c stamps. Nearly all the 30c stamps from the 4th and 7th rows, (Relief No. 1), have the top line in the

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Is it not indeed remarkable that so many shifts should occur on these plates and that so many of them should occur in the same place on stamps in the same horizontal rows? Can we explain the presence of these shifts by the theory usually given and accepted that a shift is caused by slightly changing the position of the transfer roll after rocking in of the stamp design has commenced? The writer thinks not. There are too many of the shifts, they are too much alike, and their recurrence is too regular for them to be merely human errors. No skilled workman would be likely to make the same mistake so many times in the same positions on two different plates. As will appear later, the contractors who made these stamps were anxious to turn out a most satisfactory product of high artistic merit and although the plates were made under some pressure to effect the completion of the stamps at the earliest possible moment, yet the writer does not now believe the shifts were due to undue haste nor carelessness.

Why not consider the probability of there having been a defect or a little "play"—(lost motion)—in the machinery of the rocking-in press which prevented the transfer roll being held firmly in its proper position? There are indications of "slipping" of a similar character on the 24c plate and on plate No. 12 of the 1c, which latter plate bears an imprint like the imprints on the 30c and 90c plates and is believed to have been made at about the same period. The 30c and 90c plates were made within a few weeks of each other and, it is reasonable to suppose, by the same machine. By "charting" the two plates, super-imposing the 30c chart on the chart of the 90c, *top to bottom*, and noting that most of the shifted 30c corners fall directly on the shifted 90c corners, we can hardly avoid being convinced both plates were made on the same machine and that the shifts indicate an imperfection in the machine rather than any lack of care or skill in the workman operating the machine.

The position of these shifts tends to support the belief that there were three (or four) reliefs used on the 30c and 90c transfers, but other and stronger indications are present. On the 30c plate the stamp designs do not fall in true lines in the vertical rows. Some are a trifle to the left or right of their neighbors above or below. The relative position of the designs to each other is exactly like the arrangement of the reliefs as given; that is, it repeats every third stamp from the top down to the 9th row. The 10th row seems to line up with the 1st, 4th and 7th rows.

The strongest proof that there were three or four reliefs on the transfers is, however, found in the stamps themselves. Like the 5c (plate 2) and the 24c stamps, the 30c reliefs were altered on the transfer roll and none of the stamps on the 30c plate are exactly like the 30c die. As on the 5c and 24c rolls, the reliefs on the 30c roll were placed as closely together as possible without actually touching each other and then parts of the designs were cut away. On the 5c and the 24c both the tops and the bottoms of the reliefs were altered, but on the 30c reliefs the tops were not altered, only the bottoms being cut away.

There are slight indications of alterations in the tops of the 30c stamps in the bottom (10th) row on the plate, but these slight imperfections in the design may have come from an imperfect transfer from the die to the transfer roll. Each stamp in the bottom row shows these imperfections and therefore they must have been on the relief.

The alterations in the bottoms of the 30c reliefs are not great. With study they can often be identified on stamps which show the bottom of the design. They repeat in the order given. The top row on the sheet is like the 4th and the 7th; the second row is like the 5th and 8th; the third row is like the 6th and 9th; and the 10th row differs from all the others.

The 90c reliefs were not altered, but differ slightly from each other, probably owing to imperfect transferring from the die, and they repeat in the same way as do the 30c, except that the top row, instead of the bottom row, differs from all the others, and the 10th row is from the same relief as the 4th and 7th rows.

Why were the 30c reliefs altered and the 90c reliefs left untouched? The writer ventures the opinion that some fact not yet well understood, but connected with the perforating of the stamps from these plates was the basic reason, and that the more obvious reason was to make the height of the vertical rows of stamps on the 30c plate equal to the corresponding distance on the 5c, 24c and other plates made during and after 1857.

The reader will recall that the 24c plate and plate No. 2 of the 5c were made from dies that had been engraved about a year before any stamps were perforated, and that in using these dies, or transfers from them, the contractors were adapting dies made for imperforate stamps to plates made for stamps that were to be perforated. Efficiency of manufacture dictated that the designs on all plates used for perforated stamps be so entered on the various plates that any sheet of stamps from any plate could be perforated with as little trouble and expense as any other sheet. Just why the plates were not so made that all the stamp designs on all of them would be complete is not apparent unless the perforator could not accommodate a sheet over ten inches high.

The 30c and 90c plates were made from new dies and it would appear ridiculous to make the 30c die too large and then cut the design down on the transfer roll. Yet this is just what was done. Why? Further investigation shows that although the 90c was indeed an entirely new die and its transfer did not need to be cut down because already small enough, the 30c die was only *partly* new. The portrait oval was the same as the one also used on the Franklin carrier stamp. This appears to be the reason why the new 30c design was made a trifle too large. In order to obtain proper proportion between the size of the portrait and the size of the frame, the frame was engraved a trifle too tall to leave sufficient room for perforating and yet get a vertical row of stamps only ten inches high.

It is a fact only too well known to collectors that the 30c stamps have varying margins at the sides and are sadly deficient in margins at top and bottom. The space between the stamps in the vertical rows is just about as large—or rather, as *small*—as the diameter of the perforation holes. On the 90c the intervals between the stamps in the horizontal rows are more even than on the 30c and the vertical intervals are about 50% greater than on the 30c. Copies of the 90c with perforations clear of the design on all four sides are not extremely difficult to find, while any 30c on which the perforations do not touch the design anywhere is to be classed with the miracles.

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It has been many a long day since I sat down and knocked out an article, and much has happened "during the interim" as the Editor would say.

To say that I am glad to be back among my friends, and my stamps, is putting it mildly. There was a time when things looked somewhat dark, and I began to wonder if I would ever have a chance to pursue the elusive postage stamp again. But those days are over. The calendar has turned itself back, and we are in the old days again.

Our desk was just as we left it when we decided to put on the khaki. The same bunch of stamp papers was on the book-case, waiting for that celebrated day when we should have time to peruse them. The only change we found was the revised prices in the new catalogue, and some of those did not make us weep.

During my travels with the army, I spent much time thinking of my stamps, and of the readers of the WEEKLY—my friends. For I feel that all collectors are my friends, and that I know the WEEKLY readers best of all.

Those long evenings when one sits in front of the tent, watching the dying Texas sun sink behind the hills, are wonderful times to think of stamps. How glad I would have been to just see a foreign stamp.

I recall the enthusiasm with which I went after a block of the current 12 cent stamps which a boy received on a parcel. He gave them to me and thought I was crazy, for I didn't explain why I wanted them.

Unfortunately I was not located near a city where there were many collectors. Most of my time was spent in camp, and I did not succeed in finding any stamp men in the army.

About the time I was ready to leave San Antonio, I met a collector and was introduced to the members of the San Antonio Philatelic Society. I spent a most pleasant evening talking stamps, and saw some beauties. Then, as luck would have it, I was transferred elsewhere the next week.

After leaving Texas, I proceeded to Charlotte, N. C., and left there the following week for New York City. Here, of course, I met some of my old friends, and had a chance to look at some stamps, at least.

When one's possessions must be kept in a blue denim sack, there is little room for stamp albums, nor would they remain there long. And with an income of $30. per month, collecting is out of the question.

When the order for Aircraft Acceptance Park No. 2 came, summoning them to sail for "Over There", I thought that I should have a chance to secure a few stamps.

After a somewhat stormy cruise on an Australian coaster, carrying us anywhere from Florida to Iceland (for one afternoon found us within forty miles of that far-off isle) we arrived at Liverpool. On the way over I discovered that one of my "buddies" was the brother of a very good correspondent of mine. That is as near as I came to finding a collector.

To you who have crossed the big ocean and have stood on the bow and watched the lights of "Over There" appear, the emotion I experienced is understood. It was a Grand and Glorious Feeling.

The following morning I awoke to find the ship at anchor in the Mersey, with Liverpool before us. I pictured the English stamps I had handled so many times, and I think, included most of the Colonies, too. All I could think of was —"so this is where they come from".

And then we went ashore. As I looked at the buildings which, after all, are not so different from ours, I thought exactly as the other two million did. "So this is England".

We marched about three miles to the railroad, and we were all proud to be a part of Uncle Sam's A. E. F. The people cheered us, for at that time things were not going any too well.

The little English railway coaches were quite a novelty to us. We enjoyed the ride from Liverpool to Winchester immensely. Every city we passed thru, Sheffield, Nottingham, Leicester, all recalled the stories we had read in the past. At Leicester I was able to purchase my first English stamps. The boys who had never seen them were greatly interested.

Since this is not a "travelogue" I will not dwell on the host of interesting sights I saw, or the beautiful country we passed through. During my first two weeks I could not forget the thought that this was the home of all the English stamps I had ever seen.

The English currency proved very interesting. I was looked upon as a sort of phenomenon because of my ability to figure in English money so readily. Of course my experience in my stamp work made this very easy. Most of the boys had great difficulty in becoming accustomed to the large pennies, and the silver money. A 10sh note was regarded as a dollar bill in too many cases, and so our money soon went.

Next week I shall write about my visit to London and the interview I had with a prominent English dealer.

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41	.40	.02
42	.08	.01
42a	.40	.05
43	.20	.05
44	.40	.06
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REVENUES 1898, $50 brown uncut. Cat. $1. sl. tears, nothing gone .17

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DENMARK 1912, 35 on 20o ..... .18
DENMARK 1912, 5k red, No. 84 ..... .55
DENMARK 1913, 50o, 1k ..... .07
DENMARK 1913, 2k gray ..... .09
DENMARK 1913, 5k red, No. 99 ..... .58
1918, Prov. 27o on 1o*, 27 on 7o*, 27 on 10o*, 27 on 20o*, 27 on 29o* each .... .20
DENMARK 27 on 1o olive* ..... .25
DENMARK 27 on 5o blue* ..... .35
DENMARK 27 on 8o green* ..... .32
DENMARK 27 on 38o orange* rare 1.45
DENMARK 27 on 41o brown* ..... .35
DENMARK 27 on 68o brown* ..... .98
DENMARK 27 on 1k green & brown*.. .25
27 on 5k rose & green* .. .45
27 on 10k bistre and blue* .65
FINLAND 1917, 40p red violet ..... .05
FINLAND 1917, 50p brown ..... .10
FINLAND 1917, 1m rose & black .... .15
1917, 5m violet & black .... .85
1917, 10m brown & black .. 1.90
NORWAY 1877, 60o blue ..... .06
1883, 12o brown ..... .23
NORWAY 1905, 1k on 2s, No. 69 ..... .30
1905, 2k on 2s, No. 70 ..... .68
NORWAY 1909, 2k rose, No. 81 ..... .13
1911, 1kr green ..... .05
NORWAY 1911, 1kr 50o blue (cat. 40c) .17
1911, 2kr rose (cat. 30c) .... .13
1917, 40o green ..... .02
SWEDEN 1910, 20o blue, No. 75 ..... .06
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SWEDEN 1910, 5 krone claret on yellow. Nice copies of this good stamp. Cat. $1.50 each ..... .68
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SWEDEN 1918, 12o on 25o orange .... .05
SWEDEN 1918, 12 on 65o green ..... .07
SWEDEN 1918, 12o carmine ..... .01
SWEDEN 1918, 27 on 55o blue ..... .20
SWEDEN 1918, 27 on 65o green ..... .20
1918, 27 on 80o black..... .22
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1916, 20, 25, 30, 35, 50o Off... .15
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Red Cr. 5 on 10,No.103* .20
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Jamaica, 3p, No. 303*.. .85
WAR STAMPS **Tunis**, Nos. 103, 104,105* .23
Eritrea, No. 152* ..... .35
WAR STAMPS **Palestine** 1, 2, 3, 4, 5m* .25
Other War stamps on app.

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FR. COL. **Mayotte** 1900, 25c blue 1.25
FR. COL. **Moheli** 1906, 35c yellow .... .29
St. Pierre 1900, 25c blue* .. 1.25
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1911, 6p brown, No. 48 ..... .40
Bermuda 1908, 4p brown & blue ..... .23
Cayman Is. 1907, 1p red, No. 22 ..... .06
1907, 2½p blue, No. 23 ..... .19
1907, 3p violet, No. 24 ..... .20
1907, 6p violet, No. 26 ..... .30
1907, 1sh green, No. 27 ..... .52
1913, 3p violet, No. 43, W. B. .... .48
1913, 1sh green, No. 44, W. B. .... .58
Dominica 1903, 2sh violet & black 1.35
1903, 2sh 6d ochre & green 1.75
Grenada 1906, 3p violet, No. 72 ..... 1.35
1911, 1sh, No. 78 ..... .58
1914, 3p violet, No. 89, W. B. ..... .27
1914, 1sh green, No. 90, W. B. .... .58
Leeward Is. 1907, 3p violet, No. 41 .... .19
1907, 6p violet, No. 42 ..... .68
1907, 1sh green, No. 43 ..... .90
Montserrat 1903, 2½p, No. 15 ..... .25
St. Lucia 1904, 6p, No. 54 ..... .65
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1907, 6p violet, No. 61a 1.00
1907, 1sh green, No. 62 ..... .65
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St. Vincent 1907, 2p orange, No. 92 .... .40
1909, 2½p blue, No. 101 ..... .15
1909, 3p violet, No. 102 ..... .20
1909, 6p violet, No. 103 ..... .40
Trinidad & Tob. 1914, 1sh No. 9, W. B. .62
Turks & Caicos 1905, ½p, No. 10 ..... .08
1909, 2p gray, No. 15 ..... .32
1909, 2½p blue, No. 16 ..... .65
1909, 3p violet, No. 17 ..... .28
1909, 6p violet, No. 19 ..... .85
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1885, Dues 5p black* ..... .68
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EGYPT 1866, 20pa blue 1.45
1866, 1pi lilac ..... .68
EGYPT 1867, 20pa green ..... .48
1867, 1pi red* (cat. 50c) ..... .19
EGYPT 1884, 20pa rose ..... .04
1914, 50m violet (cat. 30c) .... .09
EGYPT 1914, 100m black (cat. 65c) .. .19
1914, 200m plum ..... .60
EGYPT 1907, Off. 5pi gray ..... .08
1907, Off. 5m, No. 209*(cat.75c) .22
EGYPT 1914, Off. Nos. 217, 218, 223* .. .15

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SOUDAN (Egypt) 1898, 2pi (camel) .. .13
1898, 5pi (camel) ..... .27
SOUDAN 1898, 10pi (camel) .... .27
1902, 2pi (camel) (cat.30c) .11
SOUDAN '02, 5pi (camel) (cat.40c) .14
1907, 10pi (camel) .... .29

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HEJAZ (Mecca) 1pa, No. 8 ..... .10
HEJAZ (Mecca) ½pi, No. 9 ..... .10
(Mecca) ½th pi, No. 10 ..... .15
PHILIPPINES 1909, 2p brown, No. 260A .68
1911, 2p brn. (cat. 40c) .17
JAPAN 1915, Jub. 1½, 3, 4, 10s (cat. 52c) .17
1915, Nos. 144, 145 ..... .07
JAPAN **China** 1914, 5, 10, 20, 25s ..... .19
China 1914, 1 yen ..... .19
ANNAM & TONKIN 1888, 1 on 4c* .... .30
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Advised—A visitor has just told a little story that merits a passing thought. He is seeking information about stamp collecting and we may add that he has secured our text-book on philately with the intention of becoming "a serious collector". The fact is that he has just shown us a chart that diagnosed his body in a material, medical, psychological and almost every way. Nothing has escaped the critical eye of the scrutineers and the sheaf of neatly tabulated reports reveal him inside and out,—and cost him a hundred dollars or so, incidentally. Here is where we come in: "The patient is advised to forthwith adopt a hobby to aid in changing his mental routine and to energize the mind pleasantly in an unaccustomed field", or words to that effect. Our charge did not compare with that of good old Doctor Bolus as we could pry but seventy-five cents from the gentleman, fifty cents for a year's subscription and a quarter for a copy of the Stamp Collector's Guide. Thus do we proceed with our labor of love.

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Addition—The "kicking mule" cancellation became famous because of the festive unconventionality that it suggests and which made a hit with those collectors who liked the free swing of western humor. So, the "kicking mule" has become one of the most lovable freaks in the philatelic side-show. A reader who does not intend to dispute the claims of the antic mule for pre-eminence still bespeaks a glance or two for his "P.D.Q." cancellation on a two cent, 1890, which, with its clear-cut letters in monogram form, he rightly thinks should not be passed by.

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Attested—We maintain that the informal dinner of "a few personal friends of Major Carroll Chase, M. D." that was held at the Harvard Club, New York, on the evening of March 24th, 1919, was a gladsome affair of the heart, the like of which is almost without precedent in our annals. Messrs. Ritchie, Owen, MacBride, Sprague and Wilson were the quintette who arranged this tribute to Dr. Chase who may know that his absence made our hearts grow all the fonder of him. "Welcome ever smiles and farewell goes out sighing."

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Aid—Our friend, Mr. H. K. Allen, has been interested in references to the past that have been made occasionally in this column, such as the sale of the 1857-60 issue under face, etc., and he has sought confirmation in various old publications to which he has access. He shows the seventh edition of *The Philatelist's Album*, published in 1879, in which is bound the thirty-first edition of the Postage Stamp Catalogue, published by J. W. Scott & Co., 146 Fulton Street, New York. In this catalogue, all the values, twelve to ninety cent inclusive, 1857, are offered below face, unused; for instance, the ninety cent is listed at 75 cents. The prices on many U. S. are even lower than would be expected: The five cent, 1847, is priced, new, at 25 cents and used at 10 cents. The twelve cent black, 1861, is sold for 1 cent; the fifteen cent, 1866, is raised to 2 cents, but is overtopped by the six cent, 1869, for which 3 cents are demanded. The twenty-four cent purple was always a rather good stamp and that is why 5 cents are wanted for it. The St. Louis ten cent could be had for 5 dollars, which is five times the amount given for the five cent New York. In the foreign section, the prices are just as astonishing, from our view-point, today. Some of the notes are not without interest: "J. W. Scott & Co. wish it distinctly understood that all the U. S. stamps sold by them are warranted genuine original impressions, and not the spurious reprints and imitations lately circulated to deceive collectors." We suppose that the reprints and re-issues, esteemed so highly now, are thus characterized, although proofs and trial colors may have had their share in inspiring the warning. The company says that it is prepared "to dispose of large collections of stamps at auction, in New York or London, for the owner." A written guarantee is given, when requested, on all stamps worth two dollars and upwards. The "great and increasing demand for locals" is encouraged and it is said that nearly all of them are worth from one to ten dollars each," our publishers being prepared to pay nearly the full retail value for them."

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—The *Christian Science Monitor,* of March 14 contained an illustration of the full set of new stamps recently issued for Mozambique. It makes a striking display. Clipping from A. H. Gleason.

—The *Amateur Photographers' Weekly* of March 21 contains a contribution from Herman W. Boers in which he vigorously champions philately. Mr. Boers is rightly jealous of the good name and fame of our hobby and does not hesitate to express in plain English his opinion of those who deride stamp collecting in any manner. We regret that we do not have room to reprint the article.

—An auction catalog of unusual merit has just been issued by Eugene Klein. It lists a very fine lot of Egypt and Sudan from the collection of Edwin A. Fleisher, who has during the past ten years made notable acquisitions from the Brock, Richter, Dr. Cantel-Bey and Worthington collections. Four halftone plates beautify the catalog, which has an appropriately illustrated cover. It is an artistic success.

—We have received a clipping from the Halifax (N. S.) *Evening Mail* from B. H. Drake giving a curious story of a sailor's will found on an envelope underneath two Barbados stamps. The case came up in the Supreme Court before the full bench, an appeal having been taken against the judge of probate who upheld the sailor's will bequeathing $2,500 in cash and his shares in a schooner to a young woman to whom he was engaged to be married. The sailor was drowned on the voyage home, but the will stands. This thrilling tale occupies more than a column in the *Mail* and is accompanied with an illustration of the original envelope showing the will.

—Silas Weatherby, the publisher of the *Phizzletelic Phizzle,* has kindly sent us two contributions for the WEEKLY that are to appear in the next number of the *Phizzle.* One or both will be published in this issue and we are greatly obliged to Mr. Weatherby for his courtesy in the matter. By the way, the *Phizzle* is 12c per year and is well worth it. Address Medina, Ohio.

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—A subscriber questions the correctness of Mr. Jessop's statement that the stamp of the Slovak League was born of the great world war. We are advised that the stamp was in issue as far back as 1910. Our correspondent has a copy identical with the picture shown with the inscription below the lower line "American Bank Note Co. N. Y." This inscription appears upon the stamp illustrated by us though it does not show in the picture.

—The Michigan Stamp Club had a banquet at the Hotel Fort Shelby, Detroit, Saturday evening, March 15.

—Fred J. Fox gives this explanation of Mr. Floyd's query in a recent News Gleaning:—"The Foreign Exchange U. S. F. R. B. No. 415" probably means United States Federal Reserve Bank, Foreign Exchange Department. The cancellation is Boston, Mass., and there is such a bank in that city. It is addressed to brokers in Canada, the envelope being a current 1c, and it has a Canadian customs duty stamp on the reverse side. The bank sent this letter to Canada thinking the U. S. stamp would be sufficient as postage. It no doubt was, but the contents of the envelope may have been such as to require a tax being paid as custom duty. No such stamp being on the envelope, the Canadian P. O. should have returned the envelope to Boston. It is probable that in order to avoid delay the Canadian brokerage firm offered to pay the tax, thereby affixing the Canadian stamp on the U. S. stamped envelope."

—"In a lot of large Wine stamps received lately I found one $2, Series "1916", not the 1914 issue, which is quite different from the 1916 issue. It is not catalogued and it is the first copy, 1916 issue, that I have seen, although I have quite an accumulation of this issue. It has a rubber stamp cancellation, Dec. 21—1918, and was used in connection with a $1.60 and a 24c—1916. Collectors of Revenue stamps are surely interested in matters of this kind and someone may be able to say something about the status of this stamp".—FRED ALTFELIX.

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"Twenty golden years ago" there resided in the city of Chicago a collector of fiscal stamps who lives forever in the memory of those philatelists who have found Canada revenues of more than passing interest. This man compiled, and, through P. M. Wolsieffer, published a very complete "Vest Pocket Catalogue of Canadian Revenue Stamps." The little volume, now quite scarce, sold for ten cents. I very much doubt, if the occasional copy that rarely turns up could be purchased for less than five times that sum,—and glad indeed should be the collector whose little lot of catalogues should be so enriched.

This philatelist was a traveling salesman, who found in his leisure opportunity to search out revenue stamps on bottles of medicines in the drug stores in the towns where business called him. From the richness of his experiences he amassed material for a book. "Stamp-Hunting" was the title. It was printed by a Chicago publishing house, and told, in narrative form, the various quests of the writer in delving among the archives. The tale is well told, and the book worthy of adding to one's library.

But work and play and dealing in stamps could not save this charming writer from the inroads of disease. He went to Texas, in quest of health, but found it not. Then the end came.

The memory and the inspiration did not pass. Lewis Robie's material life at an end, his example and precept live on. To him, more than to any living writer, may be attributed the present interest in the revenue stamps of Canada. I pay tribute to this fine soul, here and now: others may speak more fully of him later.

My interest in Canadian revenues was slightly aroused, a dozen years ago, by the gift of a few "F. F." which a friend brought back from Canada. I collected, then, generally, including M. and M. and U. S. revenues. Canada revenues were quite beyond my ken. But the seed had been sowed, and the acquisition of Needham's printed album aided me to a further desire to fill certain spaces.

There resides, in a certain north Ohio city, a dealer who is more than dealer. He combines the friend as well,—and better. To him I owe much in inciting a liking for Canada revenues. He it was who enriched my album with certain gifts, which I found mounted therein, one somber day, when the rain fell unceasingly, and I had turned to my stamps for solace. He also collected, though in a small way, and the occasional Canada revenue that came to him found place in his Needham, its duplicate in mine.

I have had no direct converse with this one-time friend these many years. I fear my impracticalities have seared his practical soul. But here and now I pay tribute to his friendship and delightful companionship in those "dear dead days". Wherever he may be, know, then, oh friend, that one remembers!

It was to another friend,—Harry L. Lindquist, of Chicago,—that I am indebted for the realest beginnings of my collection. In his magazine, "The Collectors' Journal," he advertised a fine lot of Canada revenues at a very low price. There were a few rarities, some scarce stamps, and many of the not so scarce and commoner varieties. This acquisition started me finally toward acquiring a representative collection of the revenue stamps of Canada.

I am writing to interest the young collector,— the novice. It is a matter of indifference what his or her age may be: with that I am not concerned. But I wish to arouse interest among those of our philatelists and stamp collectors who are seeking a side-line, or some branch of philately not wholly unexplored, yet wherein there is opportunity for study and discovery and rich reward.

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But, at the threshold, I must pause. This paper was not in any wise intended as a catalogue of the revenue stamps of Canada, nor as a list of rarities; it was written to interest the collector, and as a little tribute to the memory of a sincere devotee at the shrine wherein a few of us worship. Of Lewis Robie, it may be said in the words of the poet who, writing of one dear to him, said:

Bitterer woe than death it were by far
To fail their hopes who love us. . .

If those who cherish the memory of Lewis Robie,—those who knew him in the flesh and those who know him only in the spirit,—can find a modicum of inspiration in this tiny tribute, I shall not have written in vain.

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UNITED STATES.—Will wonders never cease? Another error of color has appeared. The current round type 3c envelope, Die A, Size 5, Knife 87, Watermark 19, window envelope, has appeared printed in the carmine of the 2c. This is positively not a chemical changeling. I happened to be in New York on March 18th shortly after a young man called upon Mr. J. M. Bartels with ten copies of the above entires with printed return card and these he sold at a nominal figure stating that they were all that were found out of a lot just purchased at the post office. It developed, however, as the day grew older, that he had more, for he called upon several other dealers with the same story, increasing his price, however, as he found that the demand was great. Hughie Clark secured a few and most of our Nassau Street friends were let in on the find. There is little doubt but what a package or two were found and it is quite probable that the whole box of five hundred were the errors. The variety, however, will interest many who as a rule do not collect envelopes and as a result these few will not go very far.

Every mail brings letters regarding the new Victory Stamp. It seems that each town and village has received its supply. The numbers printed will without doubt run into the tall figures so there will be a plenty for everyone. As previously mentioned, sixteen plates were made for printing these stamps and impressions from all plates have been issued. In a recent chronicle we spoke of the letter "F" appearing in front of certain of the plate numbers on these as well as on other sheets. I inquired while recently in Washington what this meant and was informed that it designated that the plate was finished. Just previous to the use of this "F", the Bureau of Engraving & Printing signified that the plate was finished by putting a small spot or rather dot in front of one of the plate numbers. We wish to thank Messrs. Eugene Tilleux, Jr., C. M. Breder, Alvin St. Clair, Raymond S. Williams and others for advice that these stamps have been placed on sale at their post office.

In our Chronicle of last week we gave a somewhat extended list of the provisional NARCOTIC revenue stamps. We now wish to add the following value which we have just seen.

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We listed a 20c value on advice of one of our correspondents, but as we have been unable to locate a copy of this denomination, we seriously question its existence.

Mr. W. A. Langdon very kindly sends for inspection a number of complete sheets as well as blocks of the current issues which are of more than passing interest. Three sheets of the type IV 3c range in shade from a very light, washed out purple to a dark, black purple. One would never suppose that they were intended to be the same stamp. A sheet of the 5c perforated 11 from plate 7239, lower right hand pane, is in a light robin egg blue at the top and a dark deep blue at the bottom. A lower right pane of the 2c from sheet 7322 is so badly perforated that almost every subject is cut in two. We also find a 2c plate 8502 with pink back, a block of the 3c type II, plate 8267, with smudged impression, etc. We can remember the time when we were indeed proud of the

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Mr. H. C. Needham showed us something the other day that was indeed a pleasure to behold. A Confederate cover with a horizontal strip of four of the 2c brown and a single of the 2c green making up the 10c rate. It was neatly postmarked "Auraria, Ga.—Oct 5" and was addressed to a Capt. N. N. Gober, Richmond, Virginia.

Mr. John A. Klemann of the Nassau Stamp Co. showed your editor a number of new things recently acquired that would add dignity and value to any collection. Two Brattleboro on the cover, two of the 5c Baltimore in the same shape, several Baltimore Carriers, including a beautiful green, a number of the rare Philadelphia Carriers, several split 12c 1851, also the only split 12c 1857 known, the 15c and 24c 1869 inverts and a host of other things too numerous to mention.

CANADA.—E. O. Sawyer, Jr., of Ottawa submits some covers for our inspection and we quote freely from his letter accompanying the same, believing the information will be of interest to the specialist in the stamps of this country:—

"It may be of interest for you to learn that among other arrangements resulting from the war Canada mails carried letters addressed to the Canada Food Board free. No frank or other designation was necessary, although some marked their letters O.H.M.S. in the corner usually occupied by the stamp. Of course many people did not realize that postage was unnecessary and so occasionally they went to the other extreme of putting a postage stamp on return frank letters sent out from the Food Board office.

Mr. Sawyer submitted three covers which illustrate the three forms of transmission referred to above, but he informs us that there are all manner of variations, such as free registered, paid registered, etc., and one envelope which he has in his collection is addressed to the "Canadian *Good* Controller". The frank initials H.B.T. are those of Henry B. Thomson, chairman of the Canada Food Board.

CHINA.—Mr. James N. Henry sends us a copy of a 3c stamped envelope which he advises has been in use in Canton for about two months. We note that the stamp is placed on the sheet sideways, and is printed in green on white.

HONG KONG.—Mr. James N. Henry also calls our attention to the fact that there is an error in one of the Chinese characters in the current 25c stamp of Hong Kong. It is the top character on the left hand side of this value stamp. The information he had was sent to the Governor of Hong Kong who informed Mr. Henry that it was an error and added that instructions had been given for a new plate to be prepared, but up to the time of writing the new one had not appeared.

LEEWARD ISLANDS.—Mr. J. A. Galbraith has shown us copies of the 1sh and 5sh values of a new printing and which he informs us is from Plate No. 5.

MONTSERRAT.—We have received from Frank P. Brown and J. A. Galbraith specimens of a new war stamp issued here. It consists of the 1½d orange and black surcharged in one line horizontally in the center of the stamp WAR STAMP. The overprint is in black. Mr. Galbraith says that he was informed that the postage and revenue plate Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5 were destroyed by the British Government last December. No. 4 and a new plate No. 6 are now in use to produce the stamps in question. This information will be of interest to those who are collecting plate numbers.

PALESTINE.—J. A. Galbraith sends us specimens of four new stamps consisting of 3 milliemes and 9, 10 and 20 piastres perforated. The 3m is in brown and the three piastre stamps are in olive brown, blue and gray respectively. These stamps have been heralded in the stamp press as about to be issued, but the specimens above referred to are the first we have seen.

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March 18, 1919.

There were 37 members and guests present during the meeting of the Society this evening. Amongst others was Mr. Arthur T. Brown, whose application was read to be posted for voting at the next regular meeting. Nothing can be more pleasing to a Society than to receive an application from a former member who for some reason has decided to leave it. The regular business session having been conducted, an auction was held, after which Mr. Hurbert Lyman Clark exhibited his wonderful collection of "Blocks of Four", and President Dunning showed his "Salvador". At 10.30 p. m. both of these exhibits were still holding the attention of a large number of the members, even after the meeting had been adjourned.

Messrs. W. A. Rowell, R. M. Stone and J. Harper Blaisdell were elected to resident membership. The election of the latter is particularly gratifying, as he was formerly a member of the Society.

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BARGAINS IN MINT BRITISH COLONIALS

		Cat. price.	My price
3	**Cayman Is.** 1902, ½p green....	.15	.06
4	1902, 1p carmine rose.....	.30	.10
21	1907-09, ½p green	.08	.03
22	1907-09, 1p carmine rose ...	.10	.04
23	1907-09, 2½p ultramarine ...	.30	.12
24	1907-09, 3p violet yellow ...	.30	.12
29	1908, 1sh green CA	2.00	1.00
32	1912-14, ½p brown	.02	.02
33	1912-14, ½p green	.03	.02
34	1912-14, 1p carmine	.05	.03
35	1912-14. 2p gray	.08	.06
36	1912-14, 2½p ultramarine ...	.10	.08
38	1912-14, 4p blk.-red yellow	.20	.12
43	1913, 3p violet yellow	.75	.35
44	1913, 1sh green	.80	.35
46	1913, 10sh green-red green..	6.00	3.75
175	**Ceylon** 1903-04, 75c blue-or...	2.00	1.00
180	1904-05, 4c yellow-blue	.10	.05
200	1912, 2c brown orange	.02	.02
201	1912, 3c deep green	.03	.02
203	1912, 5c red violet	.04	.03
204	1912, 6c carmine	.05	.04
205	1912, 10c olive green	.07	.05
207	1912, 15c ultramarine	.10	.08
208	1912, 25c yellow-ultra.	.16	.12
209	1912, 30c green-violet	.20	.15
210	1912, 50c black-scarlet	.32	.25
38	**Cyprus** 1903, ½pi grn.-carmine	.12	.06
49	1904. 30pa violet-green	.12	.06
58	1907-08, 5pa bistre-black ..	.03	.02
59	1907-08, 10pa orange-green..	.06	.03
41	**Dominica** 1907, 1sh grn.-violet	1.00	.40
43	1907, 2sh violet-black	.75	.65
44	1907, 2sh 6p ochre-green....	1.00	.85
47	1908-10, 1p carmine	.05	.03
48	1908-10, 2p gray	.08	.06
50	1908-10, 3p vio. yellow	.12	.08
51	1908-10, 6p violet	.30	.20
52	1908-10, 1sh green	.40	.35
60	**Gold Coast** 1907-09, 3p vio.yel.	.18	.10
62	1907-09, 1sh green	.50	.35
70	**Grenada** 1906-08, 2p yellow ..	.20	.10
72	1906-08, 3p violet yellow ..	.25	.12
89	1914, 3p violet yellow	.40	.20
90	1914, 1sh green	.75	.42
116	**Hong Kong** 1914, 12c vio. yell.	.25	.14
117	1914. 50c green	.60	.40
58	**Jamaica** 1911, 2p gray	.20	.10
60	1911, 6p violet	.60	.25
68	1912-16, 1sh green	.40	.32
69	1912-16, 3p violet yellow....	.30	.14
70	1912-16, 4p scar.-black yell.	.40	.18
71	1912-16, 1sh green	.75	.38
57	**Malta** 1914-17. 1sh green	.70	.42
26	**Montserrat** 1904. 3p violet-brown orange	.40	.18
32	1908-10, 1p carmine	.06	.03
33	1908-10, 2p gray	.12	.08
34	1908-10, 2½p ultramarine ...	.15	.10
35	1908-10, 3p violet yellow ..	.15	.10
36	1908-10, 6p red violet	.25	.18
37	1908-10. 1sh green	.40	.32
83	**Natal** 1902-03, 1½p black-green	.12	.06
84	1902-03, 2p green-scarlet ..	.35	.12
85	1902-03, 2½p ultramarine ...	.25	.10
86	1902-03. 3p gray-violet	.15	.10
87	1902-03, 4p brown-scarlet ..	.65	.40
88	1902-03, 5p orange-black ...	.75	.25
89	1902-03, 6p maroon-blue ...	.35	.20
101	1904-08, ½p blue green	.03	.02
102	1904-08, 1p rose	.10	.04
103	1904-08, 2p green-scarlet ...	.25	.10
104	1904-08, 4p brown-scarlet...	.35	.15
110	1908-09, 6p red-violet	.75	.35
111	1908-09, 1sh green	1.50	.65
112	1908-09, 2sh blue-vio. blue	2.50	1.50
1	**Nigeria** 1914-15, ½p green	.03	.02
2	1914-15, 1p carmine	.05	.03
3	1914-15, 2p gray	.08	.06
4	1914-15, 2½p ultramarine ...	.10	.08
7	1914-15, 6p violet	.24	.15
13	1914-15, 3 violet yellow	.25	.14
14	1914-15, 4 black-red yel.....	.25	.15
15	1914-15. 1sh green	.50	.35
10	**No. Nigeria** 1902, ½p vio.-grn.	.08	.03
16	1902, 1sh green-black	1.00	.40
18	1902, 10sh green-brown.....	6.00	3.50

		Cat. Price.	My Price
1	**Nyasaland Prot.** 1908, 1sh grn.	.75	.40
2	1908, ½p green	.06	.02
3	1908, 1p carmine	.08	.03
	British New Guinea Papua		
1	1901-05, ½p green-black	.20	.08
2	1901-05, 1p carmine-black ..	.15	.06
6	1901-05, 6p green-black	3.00	1.10
48	**St. Helena** 1902, ½p green	.06	.02
49	1902, 1p carmine rose	.40	.20
50	1903, ½p green-brown	.08	.04
51	1903, 1p carmine-black	.10	.05
52	1903, 2p green-black	.30	.15
56	1908, 2½p ultra	.35	.18
57	1908, 4p blk.-red yel.	.40	.20
58	1908, 6p dull violet	.50	.25
66	1912, 3p vio.-blk. yel.	.12	.10
67	1912, 8p violet-black	.30	.25
68	1912, 1sh green	.40	.35
69	1912, 2sh ultr.-black	.80	.65
70	1912, 3sh violet-black	1.35	1.10
47	**St. Lucia** 1902-03, 3p viol.-yel.	1.00	.40
49	1902-03, 2p brown-green ..	.20	.10
57	1907-10, ½p green	.05	.02
58	1907-10, 1p carmine	.10	.03
59	1907-10, 2½p ultramarine ...	.25	.10
73	1913, 4p scarlet-blk. yel. ..	.50	.25
73	**St. Vincent** 1902, 2p violet-blk.	.40	.18
90	1907, ½p green	.10	.05
91	1907, 1p carmine	.12	.06
92	1907, 2p orange	.60	.30
93	1907, 2½p ultramarine	1.00	.50
94	1907, 3p dark violet	1.00	.50
95	1909, 1p carmine	.25	.12
97	1909, 1sh green	.75	.40
98	1909-11, ½p yellow-green ...	.05	.03
99	1909-11, 1p carmine	.08	.05
100	1909-11, 2p gray	.15	.10
101	1909-11, 2½ ultramarine	.25	.12
102	1909-11, 3p violet yellow ...	.30	.15
103	1909-11, 6p red violet	.60	.30
112	1913, 1sh green	.75	.40
29	**Seychelles Is.** 1901, 3c on 10c	.35	.14
30	1901, 3c on 16c	.50	.18
31	1901, 3c on 36c	.25	.10
32	1901, 6c on 8c	.25	.10
80	**Sierra Leone** 1904-05, 2p	.35	.15
90	1907-11, ½p green	.05	.02
91	1907-11, 1p carmine	.12	.05
92	1907-11, 1½p orange	.35	.15
93	1907-11. 2p gray	.60	.25
94	1907-11, 2½p ultra.	.35	.20
95	1907-11, 3p violet yellow ..	.75	.30
96	1907-11, 4p	1.00	.40
97	1907-11, 5p	1.50	.60
1	**So. Nigeria** 1901, ½p grn.-blk.	.15	.05
2	1901, 1p car.-blk.	.18	.08
3	1901, 2p brn.-blk.	.50	.20
4	1901, 4p grn.-blk.	.60	.30
5	1901, 6p vio.-blk.	.75	.40
10	1902, ½p grn.-blk.	.30	.12
11	1902, 1p car.-blk.	.30	.12
23	1904-07, 2p brn.-blk.	.50	.25
35	1907-10, 2½p ultramarine ..	.20	.10
36	1907-10, 3p violet yel.	.30	.15
37	1907-10, 4p scarlet-blk.	.40	.20
38	1907-10, 6p violet	.35	.20
39	1907-10, 1sh green	.85	.40
40	1907-10, 2sh 6p car.-blue ..	1.25	1.00
15	**Fed. Malay States** 1901, 3c ..	.06	.03
16	1901, 4c	.08	.04
17	1901, 5c	.10	.05
100	**Trinidad** 1907, 1p carmine ..	.10	.03
101	1907, 2½p ultramarine	.20	.08
102	1909, 4p blk.-yellow	.50	.18
104	1909, 1sh green	.75	.30
10	**Turks-Caicos Is.** '05-09, ½p grn.	.15	.05
12	1905-09, 3p violet yellow...	1.00	.42
13	1909, ½p green	.06	.03
14	1909, 1p carmine	.08	.04
15	1909, 2p gray	.50	.30
16	1909, 2½p ultramarine	1.25	.75
17	1909, 3p violet yel.	.40	.15
18	1909, 4p red yellow	1.50	1.00
19	1909, 6p violet	1.25	.75
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MATSUMURO MUSHO WRITES ABOUT MATTERS PHILATELIC IN GENERAL.

Hon. Editor, The PHIZZLE.
(who are almost Human at times)
Hon. Sir;

Little Jap Boy are commencing to wonder if annual Hon. Crop of Stampy Mags. are going to be muchly as large this Hon. Year as last.

Minora Obata who are not muchly acquainted with Hon Philately make me this Hon Question ask. Why do some Hon Dealers make such shortness of speech in their Hon Stampy Auction Cats.? Why? I make asking with slight wink. Oh, say Minora Obata, I see it in one Hon. Auction Cat. Lot 384. One Doll. 90 Fish bone Can fine. are it not scandiferous he remark. Yes it are I sneerily reply.

I see it, Minora Obata say in last Hon. Yellow Peril that Hon. Roessler are going to the Hon. Mat with Hon Air Plane Mail Service. Yes I remark with slight nerve twitter, it are muchly so.

Then Minora ask it, why do Hon Roessler wish muchly to take Hon Fall out of Hon Air Plane Service? He say it, that Hon Service are muchly like Hon. Over-Ripe Henfruit. Why all this Hon. Combustion ask Minora Obata who are getting muchly excite.

Little Jap Boy no can tell if it are because he wish to make Hon. Air Service feel muchly at home, or if it are because Hon. Roessler have Hon Hot Air Service of his own.

Now ask Minora Obata, why do Hon Collectors when they find one Hon Dealer who give muchly attractive Hon. Bargains keep this Hon. Information to their most Hon. Selves? Oh, I remark with slight smile, it are nearly always so, but if Hon. Collectors get the Hon. Idea that Hon. Dealer have sting them on Hon. Probocis they are muchly sure to let out most Hon. Loud Yelp, that will cause muchly Hon. Excitement from Hon. Coast to Coast. I have noticed that say Minora Obata.

Here are some Hon. Lightweight Verse that I like muchly to write say Minora Obata, it are called Hon. Grinny Bug Smile.

There are books that make me tired
There are books that make me sad;
There are books that are wired,
There are books that make me mad.
But the books that I am using
Are the Loose-Leaf books you see,
For the books called IN-A-JIFFY
Are the approval books for Me.

If one Hon. Dose do not have desired effects, repeat without Hon. Hesitation. Banzai. Banzai.

Hoping your Hon. Flu. are Flew up the Flue.

I remain as ever,
Matsumuro Musho.
Yockomai-Suchi Muchi. Japan.

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MOUNTING BOOKLETS.

By A BOOKLET FAN.

Judging by the number of times the question is put to me, it seems the problem of how to best mount Booklet leaves is one that puzzles nearly all collectors of these stamps. In giving a description of the best methods I do it not only with the idea of helping the reader, but the writer as well for to go over the same story two or three times a week via gas light and a scratchy pen, is a real job.

Of course, the plate varieties should be placed as near their original position with relation to each other as possible. The ideal layout of the album page is as follows:—

Large Plate Layout (First Issue Only)

A	B	C	D	
	H	I		
M	N	O	*	

Small Plate Layout

A	B	C	D	
E	F	G	*	
		H	I	

Large Plate Layout (1909 to Date)

A	B	C	D	
J	K	L	H	
M	N	O	I	

*Extra leaf to balance page. For explanation of the symbols used above see Wiley's "U. S. Booklets".

A page at least 7½"x10" is required to space these layouts attractively. It will be noted that in every case except in that of var. H and I on the third layout, the varieties occupy their correct relative position.

Now, the average collector or even the moderate specialist will find the above arrangement suitable to his requirements. But the extreme—the "hopeless"—specialist is advised to use an album having pages measuring about four by six inches. Such an album is on the market and is especially adaptable to Booklets for a reason to appear presently. Booklet leaves are mounted therein one to a page. When this is done and the page carefully written up, the effect is perfect. Every page is unique, every leaf, stands out by itself and the only drawback I can think of is that in the case of common issues the page costs about as much as the stamps thereon! But the "hopeless" one never thinks of his stamps in terms of dollars and cents anyhow.

Most specialists desire to exhibit Booklet covers in connection with the stamps. These are stiff cardboard and it is very difficult to hinge them on an album page satisfactorily. This is where the little album comes in strong. I take pages which have been spoiled in lettering—and I have lots of them because I do my own illuminating. I cut the paper away from the linen stub, leaving only a strip about 1¾" high and about 2 inches long. This strip is located somewhat above the center of the stub. I take my covers and *staple* them onto this strip, using the original wire staples and placing the strip between the covers. This produces a strong, flexible mounting and enables us to examine the back cover as easily as the front. This method is even more useful in mounting entire booklets. I defy anyone to improve upon it.

A blank page is always placed after the cover or book and on this page I place my descriptions. Might add that placing two or three covers or books on each binding strip will cause the album to fill up more evenly than if only one is mounted.

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S.—(I) This letter, sometimes in conjunction with a crescent and star, is found overprinted upon certain stamps of the Straits Settlements for use in the protected state of Selangor.

(II) An overprint found upon certain South Australian stamps used between 1868 and 1874, upon the correspondence of the Sheriff for the colony. These stamps were superseded in 1874 by the general issue overprinted "O.S." for use in all government departments.

S.A.—(I) These letters surmounted by a crown form the watermark in most South Australian stamps issued between 1868 and 1906.

(II) Most of the stamps used on official correspondence in South Australia between 1900 and 1913 were punctured with the letters "SA" and thus replaced the stamps overprinted "OS".

SACHSEN.—The German equivalent of Saxony as shown upon all the stamps for that state.

SAFETY PAPER.—These are special papers, the nature of which was that any attempt at removing the obliterating ink would probably also remove the impression of the stamp or change the color of the paper.

SAGE, J. A.—A designer in a Parisian painted glass factory who submitted the design chosen for the French stamps of 1876. His name is shown in tiny letters at the foot of each stamp of this issue.

ST. ANDREW'S CROSS.—The first two issues for Austria and Austrian Italy were printed in sheets of sixty stamps, but as the formé in which the matrices were clamped was only adapted to eight rows of eight, four blocks were added to the lower row, which bore a St. Andrew's Cross in relief. In more modern stamps similar varieties may be found in connection with the booklet stamps of Great Britain and Bavaria.

ST. ANTHONY ISSUE.—A set of pictorial stamps issued in Portugal in 1895 to commemorate the 700th anniversary of the birth of St. Anthony of Padua.

ST. CHRISTOPHER.—One of the Leeward group of West Indian islands. Postage stamps were first issued in 1870 and they were superseded in 1890 by the general issue for the whole of the Leeward Islands.

ST. HELENA.—A lonely island in mid-Atlantic belonging to Great Britain. Postage stamps were first issued in 1856.

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EDITORIAL.

Rising—The philatelic tide is rising, even though we thought that a high-water mark had already been reached. We are living in the year of philatelic wonders and while we are not to embark on any lengthy voyage of verbal speculation to account for the existing circumstances, we cannot close our eyes to the swelling wave of philatelic enthusiasm. Intimations come from so many and scattered areas of the bounding strides of our pursuit that we must realize that the extraordinary has come to pass. The demand for good stamps is insatiate and the result is that prices of a few months past are obsolete. Eager recruits are amassing the ordinary stamps and in all divisions the demand for stamps is swelling. We have ideas to account for this great advance in philately that we have dwelled upon recently; and we have the satisfaction of knowing that our most sanguine expectations have been discounted.

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Received—In connection with the foregoing paragraph, we have received an unusual letter from one of the oldest philatelists in this country, whose service in the cause of philately has spanned decades. He has seen periods of boom and of reaction, in stamps, as well as in other lines; and we feel that any views that he offers are not to be attributed to temperament or bias of any kind. This is what he says: "I believe that collecting has entered upon its golden days and that an era of simplicity in recreation is coming when stamps will be pre-eminent as the pursuit that will give comfort to the millions who have been harassed by war. The recoil from turmoil to peace will emphasize the pleasures to be derived from the study of stamps and for the first time in all my career, I admit from indications throughout the country that to my mind are undeniable that stamp collecting has reached its manhood!" This prediction is a pleasing one that seems to be fundamentally sound, if we are expected to make any comment on it.

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Result—A correspondent wrote us recently about an official envelope of the Department of State, Sacramento, Cal., that had been sent through the mail in the year 1859, from Sacramento to Cincinnati. We were interested in this seeming state use of the postal frank but an inspection of the envelope which has been sent on for inspection shows that the envelope is stampless because it was not forwarded by mail but by express.

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Poetical—Here is another newspaper clipping that comes to us: "In an old paper, the *Logan Gazette,* Bellefontaine, Ohio, September 23, 1843, appears this item, showing that even years ago, people were apt to write more than plain addresses on the envelopes,—'The following is an endorsement on a letter from Indiana to Mr. Winne of Uniontown, Pa.:

'John Tyler's subs, please set me down
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The "grippe of influenza" was on a rampage even at this time and as for the three "fips" we cannot say, off-hand, just of what value this small silver piece was although a fip was the popular term for one of the divisions of the dollar.

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Pioneer—While delving into the past, we must mention the receipt from Mr. Geo. L. Baldwin of Sioux City, Iowa, of an unusually interesting article that appeared March, 1871. Mr. Baldwin writes: "In a copy of *The American Odd Fellow* which recently fell into my hands, I found an account of the establishment and further history of Hale's Independent Mail, the issues of the locals being listed in the local catalogue and believing that it might be of interest to you, inasmuch as it was written by the founder of the venture, I am enclosing it. I am also enclosing a second clipping, which shows that at the time this article was written, Mr. Hale was living in New York and acting as Commissioner of Deeds for several states." The following foreword appears under the head, "History of Cheap Postage," by James W. Hale: "Probably there are few readers of the *American Odd Fellow,* or, indeed, of any other journal, who are perfectly conversant with the subject of postage in this country, as it was many years ago; and not one in a hundred who opens his letters in the morning from correspondents near and far, ever even thinks how the light green portrait of Washington, upon a bit of gummed and punctured paper, became the proof of postage prepaid. As this subject has never been brought before the public in any sort of historical connection, we have prevailed upon Bro. James W. Hale, Past Grand Representative, to furnish us with the accompanying original article bearing upon a theme of interest to every letter-writer in the land.—Eds. A. O. F." Well done, eds; and we like your finishing touch,—"a theme of interest to every letter-writer in the land." In view of the fact that stamps themselves are mentioned in the article and other interesting references are made to the origin, progress and suppression of the local posts, we, in all probability, shall publish this really valuable contribution in our columns in a short time.

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Remarked—Writing from Edinburgh, Mr. N. M. Gordan says: "A catalogue of war stamps, under Canada, omits one of the most interesting stamps, viz., the one cent revenue tax stamp (oblong) postally used, which I have seen in distinctly orange and distinctly yellow shades, fiscally used, and wonder if any of your readers have remarked this difference in postally used copies." Mr. Gordon is a student of the stamps of Canada in particular and he says that Mr. Howe's elaborate book on the stamps of Canada has sold well and he thinks that with Mr. Poole's book on Canada stocked in Great Britain, there will be a brisk demand for it.

MICHIGAN STAMP CLUB BANQUET.

We are indebted to Karl Koslowski for an account of the annual banquet of the Michigan Stamp Club, formerly known as the Collectors' Philatelic Society of Detroit. The banquet was held March 15 at the recently opened Fort Shelby Hotel. Twenty-seven members and their friends were seated at the tables and the occasion was greatly enjoyed. It was particularly noteworthy from the fact that two of the members of the Club have just arrived home from service abroad, and Mr. Koslowski states that there are four more overseas.

Mr. Brisley was the toastmaster, and with timely remarks introduced the various speakers. An original poem was read by C. H. Holden entitled "The Bugs are Marching On" with special reference to Col. Babcock who has just arrived home. In replying to the sentiments expressed in the poem Col. W. L. Babcock took the members for an hour over broad fields and narrow strips of land, not neglecting the quest of things philatelic at the stamp bourse and stamp shops of Paris. Some of the trophies were exhibited, the beautiful copy of U. S. 90c, 1869, on cover being admired by all. It would have found a ready buyer even at double catalog.

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—We are very glad to introduce to our readers this week one who is well and favorably known to the philatelists of New York and Providence. We refer to Samuel E. Simmons, whose advertisements will be found regularly on page 3 for several months. Mr. Simmons' activities in philately are many and we hope that in the new role as a patron of our advertising columns he will be eminently successful. We give him a hearty welcome to our columns and the very best of a recommendation to our many readers.

—Elsewhere in this issue is the attractive advertisement of Bowie & Son, Edgware, England. This firm is new to our columns, but not new to the British trade and press. This copy reached us too late for our Allied Special so we are running it this week in keeping with instructions received from the firm. Bowie & Son are import and export stamp merchants and as well proprietors of a thriving new issue service. We hope to have the firm with us regularly.

—Our readers have shown much interest in the Slovak League label featured March 8. Among others who have written us is John N. Luff who writes:—"The article states that the drawing for the stamp was made in Prague and gives us the impression that the stamp was printed there also. The stamp bears, however, the imprint of the American Bank Note Co. and was doubtless engraved and printed by that firm. In the last paragraph, Mr. Jessop speaks of it as a 'stamp born of this great world conflict'. This is not correct. I have had a copy of the stamp for many years, given me by the late H. G. Mandel."

CANADA NOS. 301-3.

By JOHN N. LUFF.

In the WEEKLY for March 22nd, I find an article which interests me, viz.: "Canada Nos. 301-303." With the understanding that these were revenue stamps and not available for postage they were not listed in the 1917 edition of the Scott catalogue (which went to press about July 1st, 1916). Sometime between July, 1916, and July, 1918, MEKEEL'S WEEKLY published the authority for the postal use of these stamps, possibly about the date of the official circular quoted by Bright, Apl 16, 1916, and they were then added to the Scott catalogue.

OUR BOOK REVIEW.

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BENT & LEA.

By CHRISTOPHER WEST.

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Die approved, July 22, 1870
First issued, August, 1870
Last issued, April 18, 1871
210 stamps per sheet, (14x15)
293-925 issued, all printed by Jos. R. Carpenter in black.

"Under date of Nov. 8, 1871, we find a letter from one Thomas Darlington to Mr. Carpenter, as follows: 'Wilmington, Del.—Your favor of the 7th inst. at hand. I would be glad if you could sell the die at the price you mentioned, or at any other price you can get for it, so as to enable me to settle up the business of the late firm'."

The stamp is odd rather than beautiful. In the center is a circular disk bearing an arm with hand grasping a lighted torch across which appears the word EUREKA. Other inscriptions appear above and below the disk and the full legend reads, BENT & LEA'S—EUREKA — PARLOR MATCHES — WILMINGTON, DEL. The numeral "1" appears four times, twice at each side.

Probably the Bent & Lea is the scarcest match stamp priced at less than 50c in the current catalog. The silk paper variety cataloged is not the regular silk paper of the second issue but is the experimental silk paper of the first issue. No printing of this stamp was made after the regular silk paper came into use. Likely enough a large proportion, if not all of these stamps are on the "ex" silk paper but only a few of them show the tiny silk fibres. If the catalogs carried an "X" and a reference that "X" meant "ex" silk after the prices for "silk" paper stamps that are experimental silks much unnecessary time and effort would be spared those collectors who try to obtain such M & M stamps as the Bent & Lea on regular silk paper. Surely there can be no harm in admitting that "there ain't no such animal."

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24	25c ultramarine	.08	.05
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UNITED STATES.—In our chronicle of last week we mentioned the error envelope which had just been located, namely the 3c Die A on white in the color of the 2c. I am now informed by Mr. J. M. Bartels that this envelope is somewhat scarcer than we had at first thought and that only one hundred sixty-two in all were found. He explains that these three cent varieties appeared in packages of 25 alternately with the 2c in exactly the same shade and impression. This certainly is a companion error with the famous 5c and will without doubt be eagerly sought after. It may be of further interest to mention that this find was made in New York.

The Economist *Bulletin* for March advises that they have located the current 40c Documentary, printed double. This is the second of the series to be found in this way, the 1c having been previously chronicled. Mr. P. M. Mann informs us that a collector has shown him a copy of the same stamp in a used condition.

Mr. A. S. Davenport informs us that he has seen a block of four of the Wine stamp series of 1916, $2.00 green. It will be recalled that this value has not been known heretofore and we suppose that the older issue of the $2.00 has been used in its place. We have not seen this variety but as Mr. Davenport is a specialist in the Revenue Stamps of our Country he without doubt knows what he is talking about. This stamp, if Mr. Davenport is so fortunate as to secure one of the copies which he mentions were on the "original cover," *not* mentioning however, whether on glass or wood, will be listed as Scott's No. 4215.

We had the pleasure of incidentally mentioning several weeks back that a 90c of the issue of 1869 had been found upon the original cover. The fortunate finder, Col. Warren L. Babcock, has since returned from France, where he located this curiosity and has been so good as to send it to your Editor for inspection. This stamp on cover has not been known heretofore and under such conditions is certainly well worthy of mention in detail. The stamp which is centered to the left is upon the upper right hand corner of a small envelope measuring 5 7/16" long and 3 1/32" wide. The stamp is cancelled with the usual smear somewhat resembling a star. Two points of the star extend on to the envelope, one at the left and one at the bottom. This cancellation is in a red brown, similar to two postmarks upon the cover, one of these being a round concentric circle postmark dated "Providence, R. I. Sep . 8", the other mark being nearer the stamp and consists of the word "PAID" horizontally in large capital letters enclosed in a circle. The cover is from the Secretary's office of the State of Rhode Island and is addressed to a banker located at Chalon sur Saone, France. On the face of the cover we also find three other postmarks, one being the well known "PD" enclosed within a small rectangle rounded at the corners, the second the New York paid cancellation, reading within a circle "PAID—New York—12—Sep. 9" The third postmark which is the Steamship mark reads "Serviam Et. Unis & Calais —1e/20 SEPT. 69". On the back we find two cancellations in black consisting of concentric circles one reading "PARIS & LYON—20—Sept.—69". The second "CHALON. S. SAONE—21 Sept. 69—(70)". We should have mentioned that the New York paid cancellation was in red, the steamship cancellation in blue and the "PD" in brown. The stamp has been examined by a number of experts and the question has arisen as to why there should be a 90c stamp on such a small cover. This might be answered by stating that a few gold coins could have easily made up the rate. This very interesting cover will without doubt find a resting place in Col. Babcock's wonderful collection and we wish to congratulate him upon his find.

We also wish to thank Messrs. John Rausch, Leon E. Gibson, L. C. Ernst, L. D. Peaslee, A. B. Berresford and A. C. Reukauff for notes concerning our stamps.

Some months ago we published a description of several varieties of surcharged playing cards and from time to time other items have appeared dealing with these stamps. Edgar McCrillis of Providence, R. I., sends in a list of ten varieties and thanking him for the favor, we think it advisable to list them as described:—

10—4—1917 / 7—CENTS / U. S. P. Co.	Reading up / Reading down	(1) / (2)
	Black Surch.	
10—4—1917 / 7 CENTS / A. D.	Reading up / Reading down	(3) / (4)
	Carmine Surch.	
Same as 1 and 2	Violet Surch. Reading up	(5)
7c / R. P. C. Co. / 1—25—18	Carmine Surch. Inverted.	(6)

Inspector's cancellation surcharged in black 17

Reading up	(7)
Reading down	(8)

Watermarked paper, double lined letters, hand surcharged.

ACT of 1917

Surcharge covers two stamps reading from upper left corner to lower right corner. A number of the stamps show parts of 2 and three cancellations:

Ultramarine	(9)
Dark blue	(10)

AUSTRALIAN COMMONWEALTH. — Mr. Herbert W. Henbest, writing from Rochester, reports receipt of a provisional—"Three Halfpence" on One Penny—but as this does not refer to an adhesive we need not describe it in detail; the novelty is the current letter-card, surcharged in this way.—*Stamp Collecting.*

BAHAMAS.—Frank P. Brown and Eugene Klein have shown us a new issue just received. The 3d Staircase stamp has been printed in brown and black and it has also been overprinted WAR TAX with the same type as the last London Print.

Whitfield King's Monthly List says:—"We have received a consignment of the 'War Charity' stamps, some of which were in sheets of 60 and some in half sheets of 30. Amongst the latter we found one half sheet with a clear and distinct double overprint. It is certainly not a "double strike," as the relative positions of the two overprints vary in different parts of the sheet. The overprinting was done in London, which makes the variety extremely interesting, as such errors in Messrs. De La Rue and Co.'s printing are of very rare occurrence."

BOLIVIA.—Mr. Fred L. Onken has shown us three values of a new issue for this country. They are the 10c red, 20c blue and 24c purple. The "Correos de BOLIVIA" is at the top of the stamp in two lines a cluster of flags within a large circle is in the centre and the numerals on each side at the bottom with the words of the value between.

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ST. VINCENT.—Mr. Chas. R. Smith, of Beeston, Leeds, writes, *apropos* of the "hair line" variety described in our issue for February 15, that he has the same variety on the *London* overprint, and kindly sends us a drawing, showing that the position in the sheet, of the variety in his possession, corresponds with that described by Mr. Johnson. Mr. H. Glover has also drawn our attention to the same variety on the stamps of the original London overprint, which is on thicker paper than that used for the stamps locally surcharged.

On looking into the matter, we find that this "hair line" variety was reported by us so long ago as December 29, 1917, when we remarked that the correspondent who had shown it to us obtained it in the ordinary way through one of the leading New Issue Agencies advertised in our columns.—*Stamp Collecting.*

SIAM.—We recently chronicled five values of the current issue surcharged Victory. We are informed by Morris Judas of N. Y. City that the 1 baht value has been similarly surcharged. Probably other high values will come along.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—Mr. Fred L. Onken has shown us copies of the 1c black and the 4c red current type stamps which were mentioned in issue 1431 as being in preparation.

TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS.—The stock of 3d War Tax stamps having become exhausted, a limited number of 3d stamps were locally overprinted WAR TAX pending the arrival of a fresh supply from London. This new local overprint is of the same type as the first issue, but is in red instead of black. —*Whitfield King & Co.'s Monthly List.*

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The Malay Peninsula is a region full of interest for the scientist, and many a philatelist finds added attractions in the stamp line. The typical colonial issues of the Straits Settlements we will pass by on this occasion, and instead take up some of the protected native states which have been less noticed. It might be said, however, that the "Straits Settlements", lying along the Malacca Strait, include Malacca, the two islands of Singapore and Penang, and Province Wellesley on the mainland, together with the "Dindings." The capital is, of course, Singapore, and the Governor is High Commissioner for the Federated Malay States.

The old Malay Empire of Malacca was destroyed by the Portuguese in 1511, and the Sultan, Mohammed Shah II, fled southward and established a new state which was named Johore. He located his capital, Johore Bahru, on the strait which separates the island of Singapore from the mainland, and in 1819 this island was sold to the British. The government of Johore has been so comparatively free of abuses that the neighboring British have not interfered with its local government, but treat it as an independent state under their protection, which simply means that the control of its foreign affairs was placed in British hands by treaty in 1885. The surcharging of Straits Settlements stamps for use in Johore, however, began in July, 1884, but evidently only for local postage and exchange with the Straits Settlements, as the 2 cents value was the only one issued from that time until 1892, when a full-fledged set for postage and revenue purposes appeared with the portrait of the then Sultan Abu Bakar, a man of exceptional intelligence and quite popular with the British.

Abu Bakar died while on a visit to London in June, 1895, and was succeeded by his son Ibrahim, the present Sultan, who was crowned on March 16, 1896. As the new set bearing his portrait was not then ready, the current stamps with his father's portrait were surcharged KEMAHKOTAAN,.. or CORONATION in Malay, to celebrate the event. Ibrahim's stamps appeared on August 26th following, and in 1904 were changed to present a new portrait of His Highness. It is curious that although the inscription "Johore Postage and Revenue" appears in English and Malay on the stamps, the values are all expressed in English and Chinese—but we all know that the Chinaman is *the* merchant of the Far East.

Johore has an area of 7,500 square miles, with a population of 180,000, and its postal revenue for 1916 is given as $30,604 local currency, being about $17,352 in American gold.

With regard to the other States of the peninsula under British protection, the story is somewhat different. Like Johore, they were formed after the overthrow of the Empire of Malacca by the Portuguese, but troubles were constantly brewing. Sir Andrew Clarke, then Governor of the Straits Settlements,

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tells the story briefly as follows: "The internal troubles of the Peninsula reached a crisis in 1872, when, in addition to the squabbles of the Malay chieftains, the Chinese miners in Larut divided themselves into two camps and carried on organized warfare, involving much bloodshed. The defeated party betook itself to piracy, and the coast was virtually in a state of blockade. The coasting trade was everywhere stopped, and even the fishermen were afraid to put to sea. As the Chief Justice of the Straits said: 'These outrages and piracies have been a scandal to the British name, happening, as they have, at so small a distance from our shores.'

"Arrangements were made for a meeting of the Perak chiefs, and a series of articles were laid before them, which, after a full explanation, were unanimously accepted. The articles stipulated for the appointment of British Residents at Perak and Larut, under whose advice the general administration and the collection of revenue was to be carried on. After some little difficulty I succeeded in obtaining an interview with the Sultan of Selangore and concluding a similar arrangement with him, while a small naval force proceeded up the Lingie and destroyed, without opposition, some stockades, with the result that similar measures of pacification became practicable in Sungei Ujong."

Thus we have the beginning of British domination in the native Rajaships. As one writer expresses it: "It is very simple: the majority of the old native sovereigns have not only been preserved, but have received higher titles and a more complete confirmation of their hereditary rights. By their side are placed Residents, charged with 'advising' them, to use the official term, but who, in reality administer the country." We trust the foregoing will give a new insight, perhaps, into the reasons and methods of British "protection" of the native Malay States which our readers may not have clearly understood before. These Residents, with their staffs of European officers, were appointed in 1874.

Of course the post office became one of the improvements following British administration, but not until four years had elapsed were stamps of a distinctive type employed. In 1878 the three States were supplied with the 2 cents Straits Settlements stamps surcharged with an oval containing a star and crescent (their religion is Mohammedan) with the initials of the State beneath—P, S or S U. These were soon superseded, however, by printing the name of the State in most cases, as the Straits post office so well knew how to do in all sorts of varieties. As with Johore, the usual 2 cents value was the only one employed, except that Sungei Ujong for some reason used a few 4, 8 and 10 cent stamps. In 1886 Perak, the most important State, surcharged for 1 cent stamps, which must have been due to some local rate, as the Straits Settlements themselves did not seem to need a 1 cent stamp until 1892. Perak also issued official stamps from 1890, a thing that none of the other States seemed to feel necessary.

Two more States subsequently were brought under similar control to the three we have been considering. Negri Sembilan was a relatively small territory east of Sungei Ujong. Its name means the "Nine States," and it was formerly a confederation of that number but had been broken up. In 1887 the Straits Government sent a Commissioner to the territory, who succeeded in reviving the old federal system and placing over the resuscitated state a British Resident. The usual surcharged 2 cents stamp did not appear until 1891, however.

The other State, Pahang, a large territory on the east side of the Peninsula, had been kept clear of the British as long as possible by its Sultan, who was jealous of his independence. But he finally consented, in October, 1887, to have a consular agent of the Straits Government at his Court, and his foreign relations were taken over. A year later a Resident was appointed, and Pahang was within the fold. Surcharged stamps appeared in 1890, and included the 8 and 10 cents, as well as the usual 2 cents of the Straits Settlements.

In 1892 the surcharging appeared to be over for a neat design, showing a tiger springing from the jungle, was adopted for the protected States, with the respective names printed in in each case. In 1895 a new design was issued for combined postage and revenue purposes, and though still characteristic the large tiger head is hardly as pleasing as the previous picture.

In January, 1895, Negri Sembilan and Sungei Ujong were placed under one Resident, and in July of the same year the two States were consolidated under the name of the former. This explains why the new tiger head design of 1895 never got beyond the one value of 3 cents for local letter postage for the State of Sungei Ujong.

Perak and Selangor were favored with imposing dollar stamps in connection with the 1895 issue, which presents a group of four elephants, one being a baby evidently accompanying its mother. These are supposed to be three of the state elephants of the Sultan of Perak, who had fifty among his "regalia" when his State was taken under British protection.

In order to simplify matters and work more harmoniously, a treaty was entered into on July 1, 1896, between Perak, Selangor, Negri Sembilan and Pahang on one side and the British Government on the other, whereby the four states formed an administrative federation under the name of the Federated Malay States, with one Resident-General as supervisor of the local Residents. This event was celebrated by a Federal *durbar*, or State levee, held at Kwala Kangsar, Perak, in 1897.

This federation probably explains why Pahang never got beyond the 3, 4 and 5 cents of its own in the tiger head design of 1895, but borrowed the higher values of Perak and surcharged them, while awaiting a Federal issue. The Federal issue started by surcharging Negri Sembilan and Perak stamps with the new name in 1900, but the regular stamps appeared in 1901, the dollar values retaining the group of elephants design, but the low values showing a characteristic picture of a tiger springing forth from his lair in the jungle.

Besides Johore there are four other Malay States under British protection. A treaty with Siam for modification of British extra-territorial rights and for the cession of the Siamese tributary states of Kelantan, Trengganu, Kedah and Perlis, to Great Britain, was signed at Bangkok on March 10, 1909. The area of the new states is some 16,000 square miles, with a population of over 700,000. Perlis is a very small territory and has issued no stamps, but the other three States have favored us. Kedah has a very pretty pictorial set, the lowest values showing a bunch of green rice or "paddy," this being the principal product of North Kedah. The "dime" values show a native ploughing with a pair of bullocks, and the dollar values a picture of the Council Chamber at Alor Star, the capital. Kelantan gives us apparently a coat-of-arms or State device on its issue, and Trengganu a portrait of His Highness Sultan Zainal-Abiden. These States, of course, used Siamese stamps previous to their transfer to Great Britain, and used the Federated Malay States stamps afterward until their own issues took place. Those interested can therefore amuse themselves by looking for postmarks on Siam and Federated Malay States stamps if they so desire.—*New England Stamp Monthly.*

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UNITED STATES.—Most interesting news has been received from a Washington correspondent informing us that the Bureau has recently made seven plates of 1600 subjects each. No information has been given as to how these plates are arranged but we hope to be able to give further details later. The plates are designed for the surface printed stamps four of them being of the 3c value, having plate numbers 9736, 9914, 9915 and 9948, and three of them are of the 1c denomination with plate numbers 9971, 9993 and 9994. Off hand we cannot see how they are going to cut these sheets into panes of one hundred and pack them into the same size packages without trimming the margins. These plates certainly come as a surprise to us, unheralded, and as mentioned above we can give absolutely no further details until we have had time to communicate with the Bureau. We also learn from the same correspondent that plates of one hundred and fifty subjects for the 3c coil stamps have been made up, without doubt from Die II, and this means that there will shortly appear the 3c endwise coil perforated horizontally of this second type. The first plate to be made for this stamp bears number 9195.

Mr. P. M. Mann has shown us an entire pane from the upper lefthand corner of sheet No. 8320 of the three cent type II perforated 11 on unwatermarked paper wherein the space between the upper margin and the first row of stamps is without perforations. This is what might be called imperforated at top. The variety is without doubt caused by one wheel of the perforating machine being out of place and differs from those which we formerly designated as "Camouflaged" in that the former showed traces of the perforating wheel whereas this shows no traces whatsoever. We have been advised that thirty-five panes in all were found. Mr. B. K. Miller also kindly writes us in regard to this variety.

Some weeks back we chronicled the War Saving Stamp, issue of 1918, imperforated horizontally. At that time, we could not state whether it was perforated or rouletted vertically. We have just had the pleasure of inspecting the left arrow pair and would advise that these stamps are perforated 11 on the sides and imperforated at top and bottom.

Mr. Roy S. Barker advises that he has located two sheets from the lower left pane of the 3c surface print type IV bearing plate numbers 9581 and 9586, each hand stamped on the face "Surface Division—All Subjects missing from this sheet have been properly accounted for." We described in our issue of March 22nd a portion of a sheet of the 9c similarly marked. As there were no subjects missing from the two panes owned by Mr. Barker we assume that this overprint was simply placed upon the stamps due to the fact that they were of a blurred pale print and this was an indication to the inspector that the sheets should be removed.

Mr. A. S. Davenport as well as Mr. A. S. Mark send us copies of a new Playing Card Revenue, which measures about 1½ inches long by ¾ of an inch wide, has an inscription at the top reading "U. S. Int. Rev.", at the bottom "Class A" and in the center enclosed within a circle a Heart, Spade, Club and Diamond, the circle being surrounded by the words "Playing Cards." These stamps are printed in blue and come both perforated on all four sides as well as perforated top and bottom and imperforated at sides. Those submitted to us have cancellations dated during January and February, 1919. Several of our other correspondents have sent varieties of the surcharged provisional issues and after we have classified all of these we will list them in detail in our next chronicle.

Many months back, we made mention of the fact that the Federal Fuel Administration of Philadelphia had issued Fuel stamps of the value of one ton to twenty-five tons and these were sold to the coal dealers, at the rate of two cents per ton. The dealers were required to use them in connection with each sale of coal. The money so obtained helped to defray the expenses of the Fuel Ad-

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THE HOUSE OF CHAMPION.

One would think that the war would have been the cause of a great falling-off of philatelic trade in France, however, it was just to the contrary. If, following their mobilization, certain collectors gave up their favorite pastime for the time being, these were few, and little by little they resumed collecting. Many even did not hesitate to carry their collections into the trenches with them, and during the long, depressing hours of waiting were able to find a little pleasure in studying the stamps they had patiently gathered before the war.

The war brought a multitude of difficulties in the way of commerce in stamps.

The house of Theodore Champion of Paris particularly felt the mobiljzation, since from a total of forty employees, of which fifteen were men, one only of the latter remained, and he entered the service some months later. Under such conditions one can judge the difficulties which Theodore Champion experienced at this time as well as many times later when his business was increased following the numerous issues of war stamps.

As is well known, the French catalog is compiled by Theodore Champion and printed and edited by Messrs. Yvert & Tellier at Amiens, France. In 1914, the catalog was in course of preparation when the Germans occupied this city. Nevertheless the work was not interrupted for a moment and the catalog appeared at the usual time. In 1915-16 and 1917 Messrs. Champion and Yvert & Tellier had the courage to issue their work in spite of the difficulties which presented themselves for want of workmanship and paper.

But in 1918 it was a veritable wonder that Messrs. Champion and Yvert & Tellier accomplished, since the city of Amiens, being in range of the German guns, the city was obliged to be entirely evacuated, and Messrs. Yvert & Tellier removed to the country leaving all their material. In spite of all, the catalog appeared! The editors went to Tours and were able to establish connections with an important printing house. In this city they returned to their work furiously. Naturally the 1919 catalog was subject to changes since the cuts were all in Amiens and the necessary time to make others was lacking. But the principal thing was for collectors to be made acquainted with the new issues for the year, and notwithstanding the enormous difficulties encountered in course of printing it appeared at the end of last January. Thus Messrs. Champion and Yvert & Tellier gained a real victory since their catalog was not discontinued for a single year, while their principal competitor, the Senf Catalog, had to cease publication in 1915, although being far away from all danger.

One other difficulty which philatelic commerce suffered resulted from the prohibition of the importation of foreign stamps into France. It was a time of uneasiness with the large philatelic concerns, but happily certain concessions were granted, and although with difficulty and at great expense, they were able to procure nearly all the new stamps issued in the allied or neutral countries.

At the present time these difficulties still exist but it is to be hoped that it is only a question of days when all these measures, which no longer have reason to be, will be done away with. The House of Theodore Champion, of which fortunately only one employee has been killed during the war, sees little by little its other employees return after demobilization and will take on a new extension of activities, which will necessitate large improvements and a double personnel.

This house is certainly one of the greatest philatelic firms of the entire world and has demonstrated its tenacity and resourcefulness in a most marked manner.

EDGEWOOD-COVERT-CHRISTENSEN.

This trio of names represents a considerable portion of the recruiting work done in behalf of the WEEKLY during the past two weeks. Our previous report was filed March 15 and this report was closed April 1. The Edgewood Co. since our last report has sent in the largest number of new subscribers, 17, making a total of 209 since October 1.

The Covert with 16 follows the Edgewood closely, while Chas. Christensen comes third with 12.

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One each:—Too numerous to mention. Secure two new names and you will rank in print as a booster.

THE MANAGING EDITOR.

27TH AUCTION

Our 27th auction sale to be held on Wednesday, April 30th, comprises 169 United States lots, including a fine lot of 20th Century blocks and an unused 24c August. There are also many good foreign stamps and nearly 200 lots by countries. Catalogues are now ready and will be mailed free on request.

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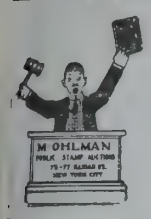

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1851—Jacob Bentz, matches, 104 Norfolk St.
1855—Jacob Bentz, matches, 85 Orchard St.
1855—Henry Bentz, matches, 104 Norfolk St.
1856—Henry, Jacob & Martin, 104 Norfolk St.
1857—Bentz & Co., 104 Norfolk St.
1864—Henry & Martin Bentz, 111 Canal St.
1865—Same at 45 Canal and 58 Fulton St.
1867—Same at 338 Greenwich St.
1868—Same at 511 W. 45th St.

From 1863 or '64 Henry or Martin Bentz, or both, were living at 321 W. 45th St., until about 1868 when they moved their residence to 509 W. 45th St., next door to their factory. For several years part of the business had been conducted at 321 W. 45th St. Martin Bentz is not in the directories after 1870. Henry is listed as a machinist living at 545 W. 45th St., in 1879 and died the following year.

The Bentz stamp is one of the prettiest of the match revenues and came in the early group. The central oval contains an eagle poised for flight with suitable inscriptions above and below the oval and "ONE 1 CENT" at the bottom. The eagle is from the same drawing afterwards used on the Park City and Jas. L. Clark 1c stamps and on the Aetna-Alligator series. For many years the stamp was cataloged on silk paper and the Carter Album provides a space for a silk paper variety. Occasionally specimens said to be on silk paper come into the market, but all these are incorrectly described if not fraudulent. The last of these alleged "silk paper" stamps seen by the writer had the "silk" fibres drawn on with pen and ink! The stamp does not and never did exist on either regular silk or experimental silk paper, or on the thick old paper, as it was obsolete before any of these papers came into use. The Boston Book states:—

Die approved, October 12, 1864.
First issued, November, 1864.
Last issued, July 23, 1868 (note).
210 stamps per sheet, (14x15).
7,454,400 issued, all printed on thin old paper by Butler & Carpenter.

There are several pronounced shades. Most of the stamps are dull blue. The greenish blue and the deep blue are scarcer. It is rather curious to note that the Bentz concern dropped out just a short time before the Howard firm, whose factory was nearby, got into trouble with the Internal Revenue office and was forced out of business. Possibly the Bentz business was sold to the New York Match Co., as was that of Bauer & Beudel, but if so, the writer cannot yet establish such to be a fact.

THE FERRARY COLLECTION.

I note your press clipping wherein it is stated the late Monsieur Ferrary, of Paris, left his stamps to the Postal Museum of Berlin. This cannot be true, as Ferrary's nephew, Monsieur Philippe de la Rénotiere, owns the collection and has it in Paris, and it is well known he intends to bequeath it to the Louvre Museum. Should the above quoted report, however, have any foundation, British philatelists may rest assured on one point, the Ferrary collection would not go out of France, as through the war every item of German property in France has become by law French property.—*Phil. Jour. of Gt. Brit.*

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OUR BOOK REVIEW.

The United Stamp Co. of Chicago has just issued a "Catalog and Price List for 1919" that is a very creditable production. It deals not only with the straight issues of the U. S., but also its possessions—Canal Zone, Cuba 1898-9, Philippine Islands, Porto Rico and Hawaii. It also covers the issues of Canada and its provinces, making in all a book that will have an easy road to popularity. There is a great deal of valuable information tucked away in the pages of the book, and its many illustrations are very pleasing. The catalog is published at 20c and is well worth the price. The list of supplies advertised by the firm covers a wide range of accessories, the most prominent of which is the Marquette Blank Album in which the firm specializes.

NEWFOUNDLAND

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PHILIPPINES	'06, 2p blk., fine(cat.2.50)	.78
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PHILIPPINES	1911, 2p brown	.17
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SCANDINAVIANS

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SWEDEN	1910, 5k claret, cat. $1.50 nice stamp	.68
SWEDEN	Off. 1910, 5k claret, cat. $1.25, good stamp & nice copies	.48
NORWAY	1911, 1k 50o blue	.17
	1911, 2k rose	.11
RUSSIA	Nos. 142, 143, 144*	.30
	Nos. 114, 115, 116, 118*	.38

Let us have your want list of Scandinavian 20th. We can supply most of them.

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EDITORIAL.

New—A short time ago, we mentioned the probability that a new perforation would be adopted for the current stamps and our informant at that time now advises us that at least the one cent stamp has been perforated 12½. We infer from his statement that a new perforating machine has been employed on so large a number of these stamps that the sheets so perforated are intended for distribution to post offices. No doubt, soon there will be some announcement on the subject from Washington.

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Needed—For a number of years, the *Herald,* published by the United Stamp Company, has made a feature each month of the commercial conditions of philately, under the heading, editorially, "The Business Situation." In a half-dozen sentences or so, a *resumé* is given of the prevailing business trend; and the review is a dispassionate consideration of a phase of increasing importance now that the sum total of stamp investments is increasing by leaps and bounds. In our opinion, the field has become so broad that it is advisable that the subject of the market be given more attention. Our contemporary has blazed the way and covers the question all too compactly, but the time has come when the investment outlook should command more attention. It is necessary that a more extended study of trade conditions be presented. In fact, we should like to see some enterprising dealer whose finger is on the business pulse throughout this country and to some extent abroad, issue a sheet devoted to news of the market exclusively. We feel that a market report coming at regular intervals would meet with a measure of encouragement from the start. Some minds seem to have an instinctive knowledge of the financial factors that dominate their professional line, and if the right student were to give a disinterested summary of the market and its movements each month, he would not be without honor among his philatelic fellows. The opportunity invites action, as it is safe to say that in but few other lines where so much money is being placed for investment purposes as in stamps, is there no message from headquarters, so to say, sent to buyers and sellers with some regularity. We have a theoretical understanding of the question through the diversification of news and views that we obtain through correspondence from different sections but as the topic is one that is intensely practical, we hope that some stamp dealer, rising superior to selfish considerations will give us an analysis of the kind desired, if in no more than leaflet form. There will be rewards for such service, we are sure.

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Neighborly—We have the following letter from Mr. L. R. Sours, Minneapolis, Minn.: "I notice your article regarding the sale at this post office of Canadian postage stamps. These are intended for the convenience of persons writing to Canada and wishing to enclose return postage. The Canadian special delivery stamps on sale are for use on special delivery letters going from this country to Canada."

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Nettling—The report of the prohibition of the use of cuts of foreign stamps has thrown consternation into the ranks of stamp dealers and others who necessarily must illustrate their albums, catalogues and other publications. The details of the argument that lead to the conclusion of the government must be interesting but we are inclined to believe that the stand said to have been taken by the authorities is not irrevocable; and we expect to hear that the burdensome restrictions, if really now in force, will be removed. A retrogressive step of this kind will work much hardship on philately and pernicious activity at the expense of our pursuit must be combatted with the strength of our organization. It is hard to believe that the privilege of illustrating foreign stamps so freely granted has been summarily revoked and we are hopeful that news of a different tenor will soon be received.

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Novel—From the view-point of the investor, his experience with war stamps has been a satisfactory one, especially if he was a consistent buyer of them from the first. As for their historical and philatelic interest, these stamps cannot be outclassed; and once more the contention is proved that the philatelist who energetically collects the issues having a novel turn, from beginning to end, profits most. Now we are entering upon the reconstruction era and the milestones of the progress of national rehabilitation and the advent of new nations will be marked by stamps, which may be said to have attained a new dignity by reason of the important part that they are playing as markers of history.

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Noticed—We are pleased to find that the local stamp societies are getting into their old stride as we have always been alive to the beneficial influence that it is possible for organizations of the kind to exert. On the evening of April 4th, 1919 the editor was invited to speak at an informal stamp meeting and luncheon in Milwaukee and he enjoyed his experience greatly. There was an attendance of about forty at this meeting of the Milwaukee Philatelic Society and it was a pleasure to observe the team-work of the Milwaukee collectors, not a few of whom are collectors of renown and keen students. The manner in which the younger collectors are encouraged is worthy of note and a policy of this kind, persistently pursued, will achieve gratifying results and ensure the permanency of society activity. The president of the Milwaukee Philatelic Society, Leon D. Peaslee, is curator of the department of education of the fine Public Museum of the City of Milwaukee and he is making practical application that will have a tendency to sustain interest in stamps locally. If there is one thing that touches the selfish soul, it is the time and work that busy men spend and do with no thought of personal reward but because of a sincere regard for the pursuit. For these workers in the cause of philately we have much respect; in themselves, they are bulwarks of philately and the good that they do without ostentation is not easily calculable.

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Neat—An envelope has just been seen across whose face at top is printed in large type, "United States Military Telegram," making an effect that is imposing. We do not remember having seen before an envelope with this inscription and the one under notice bears a three cent, 1861, postmarked Chicago. The envelope is addressed to New Orleans. It is possible that the envelope was used for convenience' sake and that it played no telegraphic part in this instance. It is just as well to mention these "unconsidered trifles" as sometimes they lead to stories of stamp interest.

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—A. V. Heyliger informs us that he has a 3c U. S. 1851 on cover dated July 41, 1854, instead of July 14. The letter within is dated July 14.

—We recently described a catalog issued by Eugene Klein as an auction catalog, when it should have been given as a private sales catalog, with net selling prices. We refer to the Egypt and Sudan book to which we gave favorable mention.

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CHRONICLE.

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ministration. While these had no official recognition they were collected by some and classed as local revenues. We wish to mention that when the Fuel Administrations recently closed its offices considerable quantities of remainders were distributed and as a result these fall in the Seebeck class.

AUSTRALIA.—Mr. J. H. Smyth has shown us the current 1½d stamp printed on multiple watermark paper. Mr. Smyth advises that these came on the market quite unexpectedly.

BOHEMIA.—Our Stockholm correspondent sends us specimens of the new stamps of the Czecko-Slovaks, the values and colours of which are:—

3 heller, lilac-brown.
5 heller, green.
10 heller, rose.
20 heller, pale blue-green.
20 heller, dark blue-green.
25 heller, blue.
25 heller, ultramarine.

Express Stamps.

2 heller, green.
10 heller, brown.

The design of the 3 heller denomination, and presumably that of the other values of the ordinary series, shows the Cathedral of Prague, with an ornamental border and figure of denomination below; the inscription reads "CESKO POSTA SLOVENSKA" at left, top and right respectively.

On the Express stamp, as represented by the specimen before us, is a dove, with outstretched wings, the inscription (same as above) appearing within a circular frame, with figures of value in uncoloured shields in the lower corners. The stamps appear to have been lithographed, and present a "cheap" appearance; all are imperforate.

As we go to press news reaches us to the effect that, immediately on the overthrow of the Austrian Empire, certain, or possibly all, values of the Emperor Carl series of stamps were overprinted by the Czecho-Slovak Government with a distinctive device. Our readers will remember our recent forecast of the probable design for the stamps of the Bohemian Republic, when we hazarded that the Czech Lion and the Crown of St. Wenceslaus would form the principal features. We are still of the opinion that they will be used for the permanent postage stamps of the Czecho-Slovaks and that the set described above is only of a provisional nature. At any rate, the Lion, surmounted by the Crown, constitutes the overprint on the stamps of the Dual Empire, with the inscription "Cesko Slovensky Stat."

Used copies of these overprinted stamps have been received with various dates in November last. Further details are promised later, and in the meantime these alleged provisionals should be handled very cautiously.—*Stamp Collecting.*

CANADA.—Mr. Eugene Tilleux, Jr., has advised us of a late Canadian cancellation that has just appeared. The wording is "Buy War Savings Stamps and Help Reconstruction."

CHINA.—We are indebted to S. S. Wang Chin Chai for the news that new 1½c and 13c stamps are about to be issued. He writes as follows:—"I beg to state that the Chinese Post Office is about to issue some new values of postage stamps. The present issue of the 7c and 15c will be sold out shortly and as soon as the above-mentioned values of stamps be sold out, then the Post Office will not print any more of the same, but will issue two new values to replace them, 1½c and 13c. The 1½c is used for the picture post card, and the 13c is to be used for the Express letter. The color of the 1½c will be the same color as the present issue of 7c and 13c will be the same as the 15c stamps."

COOK ISLAND.—Mr. J. H. Smyth has shown us the 1sh value recently issued. The type is the current one, color carmine rose, printed on chalky paper.

GREECE.—Mr. A. M. Doig advises that he has a copy of No. 204 stamp on the original cover with black surcharge, horizontally, of the Greek letters: theta, epsilom, mu, iota and sigma in the order given from the left. Mr. Doig also adds that he has been unable to get any data on this.

IVORY COAST.—Mr. A. M. Doig reports that he has a copy of the No. 3 stamp with a vertical bar of the letter "D" in "D'Ivoire" missing, making it like a reversed "C".

JUGO-SLAVAK.—Mr. J. R. Nichols has shown us three values of the stamps of Hungary surcharged HRVATSKA S H S. The stamps thus overprinted are Scott's Nos. 307, 108 and 109. Mr. Nichols adds that a very limited number were issued. The entire series were so surcharged.

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SAMOA.—Mr. J. H. Smyth has shown us a copy of the current 1½d orange New Zealand stamp overprinted SAMOA in red.

SIAM.—One sheet of the 5 baht Red Cross stamps has been found with the two bottom rows doubly surcharged. *Whitfield King & Co.'s Monthly List.*

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Bull Frogs vs. Camels.
A McVittles Monologue.

The lesson this week, b'ys and gurrls, will be on nat'ral hist'ry. Everyone of you likes to look at wild animals and most every stamp collector has a zoo in his collection or expects some day to have one. If he doesn't there is something the matter with him and he should colect marbles or dolls instid of stamps.

First we will consider the Bull Frog. An observant Hibernian once said, "A bull frog is a payculiar baste. When he stands oop he sits down, and when he walks he joomps." The Bull Frog is very cleanly in his personal habits. He takes a bath every day and sometimes oftener.

Next we will consider the Camel and we will try to remember that he is diffrunt from the Bull Frog. He is called the Ship of the Desert in spite of the fact that he can go a long time without touching any water. We don't have to get very near him to know that he never lets any water touch him on the outside if he can help it. The Camel has one or two humps, according to his nativity and parentage and no matter whether he is standing up or sitting down, his hump is always sticking up.

On looking through stamp collections I am surprised to see how few stamps have camels on their faces and how many stamps have humps on their backs just like camels. I do not know if camels are born with humps or not, but I am sure stamps are not born with humps —they acquire them. Every time a new hinge is stuck on top of the remains of thirty or forty old ones the hump is encouraged to assert itself and in a little while you can know it is right on the job and is in a perfectly healthy condition without bothering to turn the stamp over. If presently the stamp cracks along the edge of the hump and loses 50% or more of its value as a stamp, what does the hump care?

It is said the first postage stamp in the whole world was issued in 1840, but I think that is an historical inaccuracy. Theodore B. Voltaire or somebody who may not have been a stamp collector, but should have been one, described the Middle Ages as, "A thousand years without a bath," and I have seen humps that must have started in the middle ages because the stamps that support them have gone without a bath for more than a thousand years.

If a stamp has original gum and I want to save as much of the gum as I can and get rid of as much of the hump as I can, I apply a little—a very little—moisture to the hump with a camel's hair brush, and remove the hump one layer at a time. In that way I can often cure the patient by applyin' hair from the critter that bit him, and I save the feelin's of the hump and the appearance of the stamp and we are all happy. But if a used stamp that is tryin' to be a camel comes along, I pretend it is a Bull Frog and give it a swim immediately.

I care more about the face of a stamp than I do about the back and I would never collect stamps for the fun of lookin' at their backs, but as long as every stamp must have a back, I want it to have a good back, and the fewer thin spots the better. Too often is it true, "the bigger the Hump, the bigger the Thin Spot under it." That is why I would rather buy stamps from a man who likes Bull Frogs than one who likes Camels.

Now get busy and teach your Camels to swim.

Notes and Gossip.

Some years ago a w. k. jackass—No, Henry, you've got it all wrong. If you don't get it straight you'll get the Ed. into trouble. Here's the way it goes,—A well known banker who does his banking near the banks of the far-famed Wabash, had a hunch the "laughing jackass" stamp of Australia would be good stuff to have handy on a rainy day and corralled quite a fair sized bunch. On liquidating his investment recently he found that each Kookooburra had paid him over 400% profit. Some folks say there's nothing in stamps, but if a picture of a stuffed what-you-may-callum bird can earn interest like that we would just as leave be a stamp crank as a banker.

Mr. Ivor E. Dome was a recent caller at our office. After a pleasant chat he left with a happy smile on his face and a new pair of 35c stamp tongs in his pocket. The tongs belong to us. However, we have his pair and as they are 50c tongs, we shall not report his indiscretion to the authorities. Any time he takes us out and buys us a good enough lunch we will swap back.

Query Dept.

Puzzled.—We cannot answer your first question. Nobody can. At the present rate of progress 248 years will elapse before the information that will enable anyone to distinguish U. S. Continental B. N. Co. printings from American B. N. Co. printings *in every case* will be available. Probably you will not care about the information then.

Most Continental printings are on hard paper similar to that also used by the National B. N. Co. Much of the hard paper is so close grained the pores do not show, but some of the hard paper is quite porous. Most American prints are on a thicker and softer paper, which usually shows the pores plainly. *But,*—and here's where we have to start guessing—some late Continental printings are on "American" paper and some early (?) American printings are on "Continental" paper. Hence and therefore.

You are correct about No. 189b. The true *yellow* orange 15c is much scarcer than the ordinary reddish hues and was probably printed in 1878 or 1879. It is classed as an American print because it comes on soft paper, but we are inclined to believe it came from the later Continental printings and is really a variety of No. 163 instead of being an early American print. Find a copy cancelled "1878"—if you can. In the past dozen years we have used up over $25 worth of eyesight looking for such a one.

No, the 7c Stanton does not exist as a Continental print on soft paper. This denomination was obsolete several years before the soft paper came into use and was never resurrected for sale to pay postage. The copy you refer to as being "discovered" a few years ago is not at all what the discoverer claimed for it. He found a copy of No. 196 and maintained it was printed by the Continental B. N. Co. His claim is substantiated by nothing whatever.

The stamps catalogued as No. 192 to No. 204 form a set specially printed by the American B. N. Co. in 1880 on soft paper. They appear to have been made only to satisfy the longings of stamp collectors who pestered the P. O. Department for old U. S. stamps. They are listed as stamps because they were and still are available for postage. Few were sold and we never heard of any being used. The 2c brown, 7c, 12c and 24c had been obsolete for some years and therefore, in a restricted sense, were "re-issues". Other copies of the 7c exactly like the copy mentioned are well known. The Ed. probably has one himself and if you want to feast your eyes on it a while you may borrow it for $35—cash in advance.

What is a Rare Stamp?

Dear Editor: Here is one of your subscribers who relishes a little nonsense now and then as set forth by your joke editor, (crown) C. C. Doyle. In the last issue, however, all of the funny items are not in his department. In the adlets I notice a party advertises thus: "Wanted, Rare Honduras"—didn't know there were any. Please insert in Mr. Doyle's query dept, what is a *rare* stamp?

By the way, o. f. c. has had no mention in your regular editorial column of late. Did you ever note the one who always religiously trimmed the perfs. all off from his specimens, presumably because they were not like the early imperf. issues which he was likely partial to. He must have been in a class with some person recently noted in the press items, opposing the proposed league of nations, because he wants to do as Washington did, and this in a day when everyone from Negri Sembilan to Reno, Nev., has the "flu". Gone are the days, etc.

WM. R. HARRISON.

An Enigma.

To the Editor:

Down in Gotham-Town on Maiden Lane, amongst the World's greatest Jewelry stores, is a small place 2x4 (not inches, but feet) with a big sign "U. S. Postage and Revenue Stamps for Sale", which has on exhibition in the window a full sheet of 3c Victory stamps, now available at nearly every Post Office, excepting Wall Street. One evening the writer entered to spend the royal sum of sixty cents for the two top rows with plate number, but no sooner had he uttered the last two ominous words, when the proprietor who was hiding in the background, came furiously to the front, shouting, "We don't sell stamps to collectors", and a full sheet which the unsuspecting clerk had produced from underneath the counter was snatched out of his hand, and returned to its resting-place.

Other customers were freely served with one or more single copies, but the collector, the horrible thing, had to go out, and not even one copy could he secure for his money. Is it that this financial genius hates stamp collectors in general, or did he suspect an "inverted centre" or some other great error in the two top rows, hiding a possible fortune? This is no fiction, either, but the experience of

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(We publish this article by Mr. Huber but with the conviction that Dr. Hubert Lyman Clark is right in his contention that the Coulter circular, issued a year after the war tax stamps appeared, did not refer to the 5, 20 and 50c stamps under consideration. These stamps were issued Feb. 12, 1915, and as pointed out by Dr. Clark, the Coulter circular must have had in mind the ordinary 1c and 2c war tax stamps which had been placed in general use at the time the circular was issued. Mr. Huber's contribution is interesting in his comment on the Cayman Islands 1d on 4d.—W. O. W.)

A difference of opinion exists as to whether the 5c, 20c and 50c, King George, postage stamps, overprinted diagonally, WAR TAX, and issued February 12, 1915, have ever been authorised for postage purposes.

Mr. E. J. Lemaire, Superintendent, Postage Stamp Branch, Post Office Department, Ottawa, claims that upon the WAR TAX overprint being applied to these stamps, they ceased to be available for postage purposes, and instructions were issued by his Office at different times, to the Postmasters, that these stamps were not to be accepted for postage purposes. All letters from his Office (so far back as 1915, and of more recent date) have been very positive in this statement.

Yet a circular issued by Mr. R. M. Coulter, Deputy Postmaster-General, on April 16, 1916, reads as follows:—

"Post Office Department, Canada,
OTTAWA, April 16, 1916.
Circular to Postmasters.

The Postmaster is informed that it has been decided that postage stamps upon which the words WAR TAX have been printed may be accepted for prepayment of postage, and he is to amend his procedure accordingly.

In no circumstances are Inland Revenue stamps to be accepted on letters, postcards, postal notes or Post Office Money Orders.

The Postmaster is warned that in all cases War Tax letters and postcards must be handled with expedition, and there must be positively no congestion.

R. M. COULTER,
Deputy Postmaster-General."

No doubt exists that all three values with the diagonal overprint in two lines, did pass for postage in certain parts of the country, though the quantities so overprinted were very small, and in the eastern provinces, at least, the two lower denominations were quickly absorbed on first day of issue, i. e., February 12, 1915—in fact, in many of the larger cities, the 5c did not last out the day. The first printing with the WAR TAX in two diagonal lines, was superseded the following day, February 13, 1915, by stamps with the four diagonal line overprint, reading INLAND REVENUE WAR TAX.

In view of the small quantities issued with the WAR TAX overprint (the four line overprint was never authorised for postage, by either Mr. Lemaire or Mr. Coulter), it seems rather strange that over a year after issue and exhaustion the stamps should be declared valid for postage purposes. Of course, the overprinted stamps may not have been so quickly absorbed in some parts of the country as others.

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There is some justification for the inclusion of these stamps in the catalogue, but a stamp with much less claim to catalogue recognition is the Cayman Islands, 1d on 4d, black and red on yellow, Scott's 20-c, issued May 12, 1908.

This stamp was issued solely for fiscal purposes, and special instructions were given by Mr. G. S. S. Hirst, the Commissioner, that the stamp should not be accepted for postage purposes. Postmarked copies are not known with dates in May, 1908, though some do exist with dates many months later. These were cancelled through favor, and in the majority of cases the cancelling stamp used was the two-concentric-circle type, which was not brought into use at George Town, Grand Cayman, until March, 1909.

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The quotation from Bright's catalog interests me and shows how easy it is for statements even in official circulars to be misconstrued quite unintentionally by those having an axe to grind. Kindly note that the Canadian post-office circular of April 16, 1916, from which you quote, is dated over a year after the stamps in question had come and *gone*, and that it particularly refers to the stamps "upon which the words War Tax have been *printed*," not at all to those upon which the words War Tax were *overprinted* or surcharged! The meaning of this circular of April 16, 1916, is perfectly obvious: The Canadian post-offices were supplied with one and two cent stamps on which the words War Tax were printed (*i. e.*, as a part of the design). These were intended primarily to pay the extra postal tax due to the war. Many postmasters were in doubt as to whether *all* the postage on a letter or parcel could be prepaid with such stamps, and this circular of April 16, 1916, was issued to set those doubts at rest. It has no bearing at all on the question of the postal validity of the 5c, 20c and 50c *overprinted* for revenue purposes more than a year previously. It is surprising to me that a firm of the high standing and intelligence of Bright & Son should have so misunderstood the official circular.

DEATH OF CHARLES E. JENNEY.

(The news comes to us as a severe shock that Charles E. Jenney died April 7. This information is conveyed in a letter from Harry E. Dore and we publish the letter just as received, a friend's tribute to a deceased friend. Our own relationship with Mr. Jenney has always been of a most cordial character and his many letters have always been interesting in their comment upon matters philatelic. —W. O. W.)

Charles Elmer Jenney, Philatelist and Author, whose home has been Fresno, Calif., for a number of years, died in Colfax, Calif., Tuesday evening, April 7.

He was a careful, painstaking stamp collector, whose research and writings have appeared in the various stamp journals for a number of years, and his contributions will be missed by many readers.

He was a born collector, and in addition to accumulating a very large stamp collection, had good collections of coins, birds' eggs and shells.

He was greatly interested in botany and arranged the collection exhibited in The Panama Pacific Industrial Exposition by Fresno County.

His writings were not confined to philately, as he wrote two volumes of poetry:—"Scenes of my childhood" (he was born in Mattapoisett, Mass.) and "California Nights" bound in Scottish plaid covers—both handsomely illustrated from original photographs.

I give you this general information, from which you can use what you deem fit in the Weekly.

Personally, he was a very near friend, and while we have known for some time that the end was near, his death comes as a shock to us all.

WHY I COLLECT STAMPS.

By Herman Knock.

(This little essay won first prize in a junior stamp club of York, Pa., Y. M. C. A. It was written by a boy sixteen years of age.—W. O. W.)

Stamp collecting can hardly be described. It can only be experienced. I set out on the great field of philately in the latter part of June, 1916, with but half a hundred stamps. Having no previous experience with stamps, I was at a loss what to do with them. There I was with all these strange looking stamps spread before me and I knew nothing about them.

However, I studied them and divided them into different countries and values, and separated the duplicates. Then I mounted them in my album. As I studied the stamps with all their beauty and designs, their watermarks and minor differences, I got a raging desire to get more stamps, and the more I studied the stamps, the more I wanted. As difficult as it is to describe this wonderful hobby, so easy is it to understand. Stamp collecting is not only a fad for boys, but stamp collectors are found among the leading men of the world.

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UNITED STATES.—Mr. W. Nelson Mayhew has located a used copy of the current 1c surface print, perf. 11, double print. The copy is cancelled by bars and he is not aware as to the city from which the stamp came. This is the first 1c double print that we have heard of, although we would not be surprised to find them later on equally as plentiful as those of the 3c.

Mr. P. M. Mann has shown us a portion of a sheet of the three cent Victory stamp from plate 9418 in a very unusual magenta violet. He received a copy on his mail quite recently and on writing to the sender was able to obtain about eighty copies.

Mr. W. S. F. Pierce has located sheets of both the 12 and 13c perforated 11 on unwatermarked paper so badly perforated that 10½ vertical rows of stamps are shown. This is due, of course, to the inferior work coming from the perforating room of the Bureau. We have had occasion at numerous times to speak of the quality of the products being turned out by the Bureau and it was only recently brought to our attention that none of this inferior work has been due to the Engraving Division, for this one division seems to be keeping up to their former standards. It may be of interest to mention that the 12c sheet located by Mr. Pierce is from the upper left pane of sheet No. 7036 and the 13c is from the lower right pane of sheet No. 9147.

Mr. Chas. Huscher has sent for our inspection two blocks from the lower right pane of the 1c engraved, sheet No. 8930, wherein a slight surface break of the plate is shown between the second and third vertical rows and the fifth and seventh horizontal rows. This crack is caused by the hardening of the steel plate and will without doubt wear out before the plate is finally condemned. Mr. A. W. Filstrup sends us a booklet pane of the 1c perforated 11 unwatermarked showing a similar peculiarity.

Mr. Chas. A. Nast submits a most interesting block of the 3c type IV in a deep plum shade showing a very distinct double print. This is somewhat similar to those which we have described in the past, and are not caused by the sheet passing through the press a second time. To date we have known of but one small lot of this stamp actually double printed, that is, run through the press a second time, and these we described in detail in a recent edition.

Mr. W. A. Langdon again favors us by submitting for our inspection a sheet of the four cent perforated 11 on unwatermarked paper, plate No. 8495, printed in an aniline brown ink which shows through the sheet, giving it the appearance of an offset on the back. Quite a few of these were recently located in the Philadelphia Post Office.

Mr. A. S. Davenport writes that he has located several values of the New York provisional "Narcotic" Revenues surcharged on the Documentary stamps similar to those which we described as being issued in other cities. The New York collector used a rubber stamp with black ink and the word "Narcotic" is in capitals, 20 mm long by 3 mm high. The surcharge seems to read in different positions on the same sheet; some read up diagonally, some down, and some are horizontal:—

Values surcharged in black:—3c, 4c, 5c, 8c, 10c, 25c, 40c and 50c, all red.

Mr. Davenport also advises that he has located the 2c with the printed surcharge issued from Washington.

Many of our correspondents have advised us of defects found in the plates of the surface printed stamps and for such information we wish to thank Messrs. Vergne H. Ford, John Kay, George Soulman, etc. We also desire to express our appreciation to Messrs. Morton Dean Joyce, Irving W. Howe, E. D. Swartout and J. L. Whitman for notes of interest.

Mr. E. S. Nelson sends a clipping from a Minneapolis paper describing a proposed "League of Nations" stamp which would be good for postage in either this or other countries belonging to the league. The clipping tells us the subject is now being discussed at the Peace Conference. An International stamp is something that is badly needed, and we gladly welcome the idea.

During the last several weeks we have described numerous new things in the envelope line, such as the 3c error of color, the compound 1c and 2c, and the

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Exception—Our admonitory friend, Mr. Wm. C. Michaels, Kansas City, Mo., trains his legal mind on a recent case that was presented in this column: "I read with much interest your remarks concerning Mr. Bartley's reference to Uncle Herbert pursuing philately in a dressing-robe and I desire, kind sir, to differ from you in your conclusions. This winter (chiefly on Sundays) I did some real 'stoodent' stuff on the one cent 1851-57s, mounting and annotating copies showing all of the twenty or more transfer roll relief varieties of this most interesting stamp, and I did the whole job while clothed in a bath-robe! I do not own a 'quilted dressing robe' of a scarlet or any other color but you ought to see my bath-robe. It would make a Navajo Indian turn green with envy. I have tried to mount stamps while clothed in a business suit and again, while I wore a smoking jacket, but it did not work. I tell you that there is nothing like several good magnifying glasses, a pot of Herbert Tarryton smoking tobacco, a strong pipe, some matches, an album, a bunch of unclassified stamps and a bath-robe to bring real happiness to a 'bug.' Of course, I should add that one must be in a den with the rest of the family barred out, in order to get the full benefit of the jag. I do not believe that you have ever tried the bath-robe stunt; if not, you have missed something. Nothing else will do if you want to enjoy a real philatelic debauch."

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Enjoined—Some time ago, we published the protest of an auction buyer on what he termed the undue lapse of time between the date of the auction sale and the receipt of lots on which he bid successfully. The supposition was that any retaliatory measures that the recipient might feel inclined to take depended on what fairly could be called an unreasonable delay on the part of the auction firm. One of the underlying suggestions of the letter as we saw it, while somewhat far-fetched, was yet entitled to consideration and that was the assumption of the bidder that he did not secure any lots in the sale. Consequently, the money that he may have reserved for payment might be spent otherwise and so, he would be inconvenienced by the coming of the stamps with bill. Some adverse criticism has reached us upon the tenor of the remarks of our correspondent, by auctioneers who maintain that the circulation of a complaint of the kind gives aid and comfort to the gentry who regard their auction obligations too lightly, as it is, and are prone to take advantage of any seeming loop-hole of evasion. We know that the auctioneers have much to contend with and it is not our intention to work any hardship on them by remarks that may be construed as reflecting upon their business conduct, but we are sure that the onus of our correspondent's words applied to those auctioneers on the fringe rather than those who are regarded as the "regular" auctioneers.

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Entry—Another phase of the auction business has been brought to our attention by a dealer who makes the assertion that his remarks do not apply to dealers that he goes to the length of naming and that is: "Many auction dealers never dealt in stamps in any other form and never having had a collection of their own, know comparatively little about stamps." Here, let it be said that there are not a few auctioneers who may not be well known who serve as side-shows to the performance in the big tent and it is they who have a tendency to demoralize the legitimate auction business by the sale of questionable stamps at times by methods that are not approved. Our critic makes his point about buying stamps "in the dark" as a consequence and makes a case against those auctioneers whose influence, restricted though it is, harms the recognized dealers who sell at auction; and he adds: "I should like to know what some collectors and dealers think of this." The stamp auction has become so vital and important a factor that it is only fair to it that proper protective measures should surround it.

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Extreme—We have learned of a severe loss by fire sustained by Mr. Wm. C. Kennett, Jr., Cincinnati, whose home with contents was burned to the ground, although his valuable collection was saved from the flames. Nevertheless, Mr. Kennett suffered the destruction of five thousand dollars' worth of stamps, we are informed, that were in a desk that was burned; and in the lot was about seven hundred dollars in auction lots that Mr. Kennett had obtained from the last Morgenthau sale, for which he had not even paid. A possible visitation from fire is one that every stamp saver should keep in mind and all precautionary measures should be adopted to defeat any stealthy approach of fire, as stamps make peculiarly dangerous "prey for the flames." We sympathize with Mr. Kennett in his misfortune although we rejoice to hear that his fine collection was saved.

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End—Recently, there have been references to the changing fortunes of the five cent, 1847, U. S., and a few reminiscences on the career of the popular stamp. The tabloid story of the corner on the stamp brought out comment of interest and the dispersal of the accumulation of the stamps has been discussed. We now have a few words from Mr. John C. Hunt, Bedford, New York: "I noticed in your issue of March 22nd, an inquiry concerning the five cent of 1847 that Mr. Lord sold to the Nassau Stamp Company. I consider that I got what he termed the cream of that lot, but I may be wrong. I also saw a lot of skimmed milk in that bunch of stamps and understand that over 900 of the 2600 easily could be so termed."

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Embryo—The proposed society of philatelic literature collectors is still in the "to be about to be" stage but several letters that have been received prove to the satisfaction of the writers that the plan of organization is a bounden duty. Mr. Edwin B. Hill thinks that the coast is clear because the several organizations that might have qualified as philatelic literature societies are not to be seen in the offing. We look with some favor upon the organization of a society of those who find an interest in philatelic print, especially of a bygone day; and there are a half-dozen devoted collectors who have pledged allegiance to the proposed body. Even though the slogan of this society would be "quality, not quantity," we should like to hear from a few more masters. Messrs. Ricketts, Deats, Speakman, *et al.*, please write. When a dozen or so of tried and true men give a push in unison, the chariot will start on its triumphant way. The by-laws will be a thing of verbal beauty by the time a committee that we have in mind has done its work. We may depend upon Mr. Hill, one of our sincerest lovers of stamp literature for assistance in the movement but with all these beckoning nods, we hesitate to take the momentous step until we are assured that there is a demand for the society.

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By W. O. W.

We have no hesitation in reviewing "The War Garden Victorious" by Chas. Lathrop Pack even though it be outside of the field of philately. The book is written by an eminent philatelist and it is inspired by patriotic impulses, and with this introduction we desire to give it our warmest words of praise. It is a very handsome book of more than two hundred pages, from the press of J. B. Lippincott Co., Philadelphia. It is handsomely bound in cloth with gilt and deckle edges, and is dedicated to the war gardeners of the United States and Allied countries "in admiration of their success in adding to the world's supply of food during the world war." It is a well known fact that Mr. Pack has served ably as president of the National War Garden Commission, an organization that has been an effective means in promoting the success of the war. Associated with Mr. Pack were such men as Luther Burbank, California; Dr. Chas. W. Eliot, formerly president of Harvard University; Dr. Irving Fisher of Yale University; John Hays Hammond, Massachusetts; John Grier Hibben, Princeton University, and others who have been connected with other conservation courses.

The book is illustrated with five colored plates showing posters that were used during the war. One of these, "Every Garden a Munition Plant," was used in 1918 and again in 1919 with different slogans and aided a great deal in the publicity work of the Commission. Other effective posters were, "War Gardens Over the Top," "War Gardens Victorious," and "The Kaiser is Canned —Can Food." These are all reproduced in the original colors.

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The Appendix will prove of great value in the mass of material it contains in regard to war gardening. The Appendix consists of two victory books issued by the Commission, one bearing the title "War Gardening" and the other "Home Canning and Drying". There are many illustrations.

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2c and 3c. Mr. G. C. Rockfellow now informs us that he has located the current 2c with three impressions on the one envelope. We have heard of two impressions numerous times before, but this is the first with three impressions that has been brought to our attention.

ALBANIA.—From Messrs. Yvert & Tellier we have received details of a set of stamps that was current during the month of January and the beginning of February, consisting of a series of fiscal adhesives issued by the Austrians during their occupation of Scutari and the surrounding country, and inscribed ADMINISTRAT E FINANCAVET TE SHQIPNIS, overprinted by the Albanians with the words POSTA E SHKODRES SHQYPNIS ("Post of Scutari d'Albania") and new value, QINT or FRANK, and with a further commemorative overprint, the inscriptions in which are said to be illegible. The set comprises the following denominations:—

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BAHAMAS.—Messrs. Whitfield King & Co. inform us that they have received a consignment of the "War Charity" stamps, some of which were in sheets of sixty and some in half-sheets of thirty. Amongst the latter were found one half-sheet with a clear and distinct double overprint. It is certainly not a "double strike" (our friends remark), as the relative position of the two overprints vary in different parts of the sheet. The overprinting was done in London, which makes the variety extremely interesting, as such errors in Messrs. De la Rue & Co.'s printing are of very rare occurrence.—*Stamp Collecting.*

BELGIUM.—An entirely new series of postage stamps may be expected from Brussels in the near future. According to *L'Echo de la Timbrologie*, there is also to be a separate series, of three values only (5, 10 and 25c), all bearing a new portrait of King Albert. This set is to commemorate the liberation of Belgium from the Huns. Meanwhile, our Amiens contemporary describes and illustrates, apparently under the misapprehension that it is something new, the well known "broken epaulette" variety, which occurred on a large number of the 5, 10 and 20c Red Cross stamps of January, 1915. The *Echo* mentions the 25 centimes, but no doubt this is a printer's error, as there was no such denomination in the series referred to.—*Stamp Collecting.*

BRAZIL.—A Brazilian correspondent reports to the same paper the issue of a new Brazilian stamp regarding which we should appreciate additional information. It is supposed to be issued in support of the League against Analphabetism, it is blue in color, with the words BRAZIL CORREIO at the top, in the center a figure representing education surveying a globe, at the sides the value 1000 reis and at the bottom the word INSTRUCCAO. It is said to have circulated for

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one month only and the proceeds were apparently devoted to a Society for Promoting Popular Education. If it were not for the words BRAZIL CORREIO, we should at once classify it as a private venture, but apparently there is some governmental subvention connected with it. We shall await further information with interest.—*Albemarle Stamp Collector.*

CZECHO-SLOVAK.—Mr. J. R. Nichols has shown us the first five values of the stamps of this republic. The stamps are imperforate and are of the following colors and values:—3h purple; 5h yellow green; 10h red; 20h gray green, and 25h blue. Mr. Nichols adds that the set is from 3 to 200 heller and the 5 and 10 heller also appear perforated 11½. They are all printed on white paper and have the POSTA at the top and value at the bottom. Also CESKO at the left and SJOVERSKA at the right.

GRENADA.—Mr. Frank P. Brown has shown us a new printing of the 1d WAR TAX stamp of this colony. The color is somewhat brighter than before.

MEXICO.—Mr. G. A. Higlett has kindly shewn us a novelty from this quarter. Mexico has lately shewn so much misplaced philatelic energy that it could hardly be expected that it would allow the great war to pass without taking advantage of the possibilities. So, here we have the current 5c overprinted +3c, at foot, as a Red Cross issue. We now await, with some confidence, the Mexican Victory issue.—*Phil. Journal of Gt. Brit.*

PHILIPPINES. — Charles E. Doty of Manila informs us that the 6c current issue has appeared in a very pale shade of violet. The regular stamp is in deep violet. Here is Mr. Doty's comment:—"The color is too decided a change for a lightly wiped plate and it looks as though the government printers had gotten hold of some of the peso ink and used it on the 6c plate."

ROUMANIA.—Mr. H. E. Kleinst has shown us two surcharges of the 1908-14 5 bani stamp, both in black. One is surcharged "1918", while the other is a monogram in a circle with a P to the left and a T to the right. We would like further information on this later surcharge, and also for what it is used.

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

—We have received from Wm. C. Stone, "Publicity Agent" of the Springfield Stamp Club, an attractively printed folder giving the official roster as well as list of active and passive members for 1919.

—We desire to know whether any of our patrons are unable to secure replies to letters sent to C. W. Parker, 77 Kensington Heights, Meriden, Conn.

—If you are unable to secure any reply to letters sent H. L. Fish, 164 Brackett St., Portland, Me., send all your facts to the postal inspector at the Portland P. O.

—Some weeks back we published an account of the death of Henry J. Schmidt, formerly in the stamp business at Pittsburg, and who made the great sacrifice over on French soil. Elmer F. Smith writes us as follows:—

"Mr. Schmidt was killed in action in France on Nov. 1st of last year. It was his fourth time over the top. He had written me just twenty days before he was killed and was looking forward with pleasure to the time when he could take up his stamps again. His mother is Mrs. Louise Thelen of 1537 Barry Av., Chicago. His father, the late Joseph Schmidt, was one of Chicago's best known bowlers. Before he entered the service, he arranged with me to take over his stamps and business for the benefit of his mother in case he should never come back. I recently bought his entire stock and collection."

—At the meeting of the Pacific Philatelic Society held April 16, there was an exhibit of the stamps of France and its colonies. Among others shown, President Wm. Blackwell exhibited his 19th Century collection.

—If you have any complaint against Francis Oakes, formerly of Chicago, Ill., and more recently Lake Geneva, Wis., please file your papers with J. E. Stuart, Inspector, Chicago P. O. Oakes was connected with the O. K. Stamp Co.

—Wm. Van.—For catalog of philatelic literature, write F. H. Vallancey, 89 Farringdon St., London, England.

—At the meeting of the Washington (D. C.) Philatelic Society held April 9, the Society voted an appropriation to purchase a nearly complete set of the S.-W.-J. Co. pamphlets. There was a good attendance and a small auction sale brought forth spirited bidding. We are indebted to Harry B. Mason for this bit of news.

—Two complaints against Alejandro Garcia, Remedios, Cuba, have just been voluntarily adjusted by Mr. Garcia. If there are any outstanding, will the parties please communicate with this office at once?

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from C. M. Tyler.

—The following officers of the Michigan Stamp Club have been elected for the coming year:—Z. Dworkovsky, Pres.; John Hubel, Vice-Pres.; R. J. Nentwig, Sec.; Robert Meiers, Treas.; D. Underwood, Auction Mgr.; Preston Hoskins, Sales Supt.; E. J. Scott, Arthur Wood, C. C. Keller, Trustees; W. F. Fratcher, Librarian, and Herman W. Boers, Publicity. Meetings are held first and third Saturday nights at Fraternity Hall, 140 First St., Detroit. Stamp men are invited.

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1911
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1915
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PARAGUAY.

1901
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1902
*4c, No. 63..... .03
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1903
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1904-10
5c, No. 92..... .03
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*5c on 2c,No.121 .03
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20c, No. 194.... .05
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1912
*20c on 50c,No.204 .06
1913
*1c, No. 205... .01
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URUGUAY.

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1904
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VENEZUELA.

1901
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1903-04
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1905
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1911
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1903
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GUATEMALA.

1902
*1c on 1c, No. 109 .03
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1902
75c, No. 121.... .05
1p, No. 122.... .05
2p, No. 123.... .10
1903
25c on 1c, No. 124 .0
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1908
6c on 20c, No.134 .0
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1911-17
5p, No. 142..... .3
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HONDURAS.

1903
*1c, No. 111.... .01
*2c, No. 112.... .02
*5c, No. 113.... .03
*6c, No. 114.... .03
*10c, No. 115... .03
*20c, No. 116... .05
1911
*1c, No. 131.... .01
*5c, No. 133.... .03
*6c, No. 134.... .04
*10c, No. 135... .0
*50c, No. 137... .2
1911 Official
*10c, No. 282... .2
*1c on 5c, No. 293 .1
*2c on 5c, No. 294 .1
*2c, No. 302.... .0
*5c, No. 304.... .2
*10c, No. 307... .2
1915
*5c, No. 314.... .0

SALVADOR.

1905-08
*1c on 2c, No. 313 .05
*3c on 26c,No.331 .25
*1c on 2c, No. 367 .12
1909-11
*1c, No. 375.... .3
*2c on 13c, No.376 .3
24c, No. 400.... .2

NICARAGUA.

1901-02
50c, No. 142... .25
*20c, No. 156... .20
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*50c, No. 158... .40
*5c, No. 159... .03
*5c, No. 160... .04
*30c on 1c,No.163 .16
1903
*1c, No. 167... .04
*2c, No. 168... .04
*5c, No. 169... .04
*10c, No. 170... .05
*15c, No. 171... .07
*20c, No. 172... .07
*50c, No. 173... .07
*1p, No. 174... .07
1905
*1c, No. 179.... .01
*2c, No. 180.... .02
*3c, No. 181.... .02
*4c, No. 182.... .02
*5c, No. 183.... .02
*6c, No. 184.... .04
*10c, No. 185... .04
*15c, No. 186... .10
*20c, No. 187... .05
*50c, No. 188... .05
*1p, No. 189.... .07
*2p, No. 190.... .07
*5p, No. 191.... .10
1906
10c on 3c, No. 194 .04
15c on 1c, No. 196 .05
1907
4c, No. 204 .... .08
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1910
2c on 3c, No. 249 .02
10c on 15c,No.250 .02
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*10c on 1p,No.259 .05
*2c on 4c. No. 260 .02
*5c on 20c,No.261 .02
10c on 15c.No.262 .03
10c on 50c,No.263 .03
10c on 2p, No. 265 .10
1911
*2c on 5p, No. 267 .02
*5c on 10p,No.268 .05
*10c on25c,No.269 .05
*10c on 2p,No.270 .05
*35c on 1p,No.271 .12
1912
*1c, No. 295.... .01
*2c, No. 296.... .01
*3c, No. 297.... .02
*4c, No. 298.... .02
*5c, No. 299... .0
*6c, No. 300... .0
*10c, No. 301... .0
*15c, No. 302... .0
*20c, No. 303... .0
*25c, No. 304... .0
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1913-15
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1c on 15c,No.339 .0
5c, No. 354.... .0
*5c on 6c, No. 361 .1
1903 Official
*10c on 20c,No.918 .0
*30c on20c,No.919 .2
*50c on20c,No.920 .3
1905
*1c, No. 923... .0
*2c, No. 924... .0
*5c, No. 925... .0
*10c, No. 926... .0
*20c, No. 927... .0
*50c, No. 928... .0
*1p, No. 929... .0
*2p, No. 930... .0
*5p, No. 931... .0
1907
*10c on 2c, No.943 .0
*35c on 1c, No.944 .0
*70c on 1c, No.945 .0
*70c on 1c, No.946 .0
*1p on 2c, No. 947 .0
*2p on 2c, No. 948 .0
*3p on 5c, No. 949 .1
*4p on 5c, No. 950 .1
*5p on 5c, No. 951 .1
1908
*10c on 1c, No.969 .3
*35c on 1c, No.970 .3
*50c on 1c, No.971 .2
*2p on 1c, No. 973 .3
1911
*$2 on 1c, No. 998 .35
1913
*1c, No. 1017.. .0
*2c, No. 1018.. .0
*3c, No. 1019.. .0
*4c, No. 1020.. .0
*5c, No. 1021.. .0
*6c, No. 1022.. .0
*10c, No. 1023.. .0
*15c, No. 1024.. .0
*20c, No. 1025.. .0

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UNITED STATES 30c, 90c 1857-60.

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Attached to the mechanism of the rocking-in press on the machinery at present used in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, it is understood that there is an indicator, the point of which is placed in the position dot on the plate before the design of the stamp is transferred and then the transfer roll is locked in position. This device enables the workman to transfer the stamp designs into the exact positions laid out for them on the plate. The position dots are placed on the plate to mark the locations where the transfer roll is to *commence rocking*—that is, entering of the design.

It is supposed that a similar device was part of the mechanism of the rocking-in press when the stamps of the 1857-'60 series were made. Collateral evidence that the 24c plate and plate No. 2 of the 5c were rocked in from six relief transfers is found in the location of the position dots on those plates. The dots occur at the upper right corners of the stamps in the first and seventh horizontal rows. On the 30c stamps the position dots are found at the *lower left* corner of the stamps in the bottom row—just below the notch formed by the arrow shaped ornament. On the 90c stamps the position dots are found outside the *upper right* corner of the stamps in the top row. The writer has been unable to find any position dots on any other rows of stamps on these plates. It is possible there were other position dots on the plates which were removed before the stamps were printed.

If the position dots indicate the places at which rocking-in of the transfer roll commenced, then the 30c plate was rocked in from bottom to top and the 90c plate from top to bottom and the shifts in the 4th and 7th rows on each plate were made by the transfer rolls when at the *end* of their successive courses instead of at the beginning. Whether or not it may be possible to make a shifted design in this way the writer does not know, and this is why it is assumed in this article that the transfer rolls were rocked *toward* the position dots, instead of away from them, and that the 30c plate was rocked in from top to bottom and the 90c plate from bottom to top.

The reader is invited to consider a possible explanation of the recurrence of so many shifted designs on both of these plates which would agree with the supposition that on any original entry the transfer roll is rocked *from* the position dot. This explanation is that all or most of the designs in the 4th and 7th rows were re-entered before the plates were put to press—the re-entry being made in the opposite direction from which the designs were first rocked on the plates. That is to say, the 30c plate was first rocked in from bottom to top and then the 4th and 7th rows were re-entered rocking from top to bottom; and that on the 90c the plate was first rocked in from top to bottom and then the 4th and 7th rows were re-entered from bottom to top. Such re-entry would be almost certain not to coincide exactly with the original entry and might make the shifts as they are found. It is not easy, however, for the writer to believe that such re-entry would err always in the same lateral direction. If any of the designs actually were re-entered we would hardly expect to find so many of the shifts on the 30c coming in the upper left corner and so many of those in the 90c coming in the lower right corner.

There is some reason for believing the tops of the 30c stamps in the 4th and 7th rows may have needed re-entering but this is not so evident with the 90c stamps in those rows. Perhaps it is only a coincidence that the re-cuttings on the 30c plate occur at the bottoms of the stamps in the 3rd and 6th rows, that is, directly over and adjacent to the tops of the two rows of stamps in which so many shifted designs occur. The missing two rows of position dots should occur in the intervals between the 3rd and 4th and the 6th and 7th rows respectively. The writer believes position dots did occur between those rows and that they were erased on the plate.

The subject of "plate erasure" has been discussed considerably in the past, and the present writer has no desire to re-open any argument as to whether it can or cannot be accomplished on stamp plates. Suffice to say reliable information that plate erasure is of common, everyday occurrence at the Bureau is at

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hand, and there are indications Toppan, Carpenter & Co. also made erasures on their plates. The blur of color found over the arch at the top of almost every stamp on the 90c plate, except the stamps in the top row, may have been caused by plate erasure, although the erasure, if such it be, was not for the purpose of removing any part of the stamp designs. Similar blurs of color are found *below* many of the stamps on the 30c plate, particularly in the first, 4th and 7th rows, but never below the 10th row.

The cause of these blurs is a matter for study. From their regular occurrence it would seem that they came either from depressions on the plate caused by "humps" on the transfer rolls or from humps on the plate which became slight hollows owing to more metal than necessary being removed when these humps were scraped or burnished off. It is supposed that the pressure of the tranfer roll causes a slight displacement of metal on the plate in the direction of rocking the roller; somewhat like the wave of water which is produced in front of a blunt prowed vessel when moving. This wave or "hump" of metal is removed to bring the surface of the plate back to a true plane.

A "hump" on the transfer roll outside the stamp relief would produce a depression in the plate like itself in shape and size, while depressed areas on the plate caused by removing too much metal from humps on the plate would tend to vary in shape and size. If sufficiently deep such depressed areas on the plate, from whatever cause, would retain ink and produce blurs of color on the printed sheet just as the lines of the design retain the ink and produce the stamp itself. The blurs of color found above the 90c stamps and below the 30c stamps differ on subjects from different reliefs but are very similar on subjects from the same reliefs. They are entirely absent below No. 4 relief of the 30c and above No. 4 relief of the 90c. The reader may draw his own conclusions as to what caused them.

Before attempting to describe the differences in the 30c reliefs it will be well to name and locate the important parts of the design. In the center of the stamp is an oval bearing a profile of Franklin facing left. Just outside the oval are four shields, one in each corner, with their bases almost touching the oval. At either side of and touching each shield is an ornamental scroll, the two at each side being larger than the two at the top and bottom. The two smaller scrolls at the top and at the bottom we will call top and bottom scrolls, left or right, as the case may be. The spaces at the middle between the top, bottom and sides between each pair of similar scrolls contain the inscriptions in colorless letters or numerals as follows:—"U. S.—POSTAGE" at the top in two lines; "THIRTY" at left; "CENTS" at right; and "30" at the bottom.

The design is squared up by eight arrow shaped ornaments outside the shields, two at each corner. The points of these arrows meeting at right angles form the corners of the stamp. The spaces between the shields and the arrows are filled in with a ground work of radiating lines close together. These lines extend to the inner lines of the arrows. There is a slightly curved outer line above "U.S." which joins the upper scrolls and *on the die* a similar line joined the bottom scrolls below "30". All the reliefs show traces of the outer line below "30" but none of the reliefs show the *outside* line of the bottom arrows.

Relief No. 1—Top: Design complete. Sharp and clear without blurs in the top row. Nearly all stamps from the 4th and 7th rows show the outer line of the left top arrow too heavy or doubled. The outer line of the upper left *side* arrow, the upper left corner, the outer line over "U. S.", or even the whole top quarter of the stamp may also be doubled.

Bottom: Scrolls are practically complete and project below the adjacent parts of the design. Traces of the outer line below "30" are present and in some cases this line is complete or very nearly so, though weak in the center. Blurs of color below the scrolls. Outer corner of lower right *side* arrow very faint or missing.

Relief No. 2—Top: Design complete.

Bottom: Lower tips of both scrolls removed, particularly the right scroll. Lower right *side* arrow complete. Trace of outer line may show from below "0" of 30 to right scroll. Stub of outer line shows sharply beside left scroll.

Relief No. 3—Top: Design nearly complete. There is a break in the top of the left scroll.

Bottom: Both scrolls cut off in line with adjacent parts of the design. Outer line below "30" all removed except stub beside right scroll. Design usually blurred from base of "3" to left corner of stamp. Outer corners of lower side arrows faint.

Relief No. 4—Top: There is a tiny but quite noticeable break in the top of the right scroll.

Bottom: Design very clear and sharp with no blurs in it or below it. Both scrolls have their tips cut away. The outer line is all removed except sharp stubs at the ends beside the right and left scrolls. The stub at the left is a short single line. The stub at the right is composed of a longer line and two very short lines which appear to be extensions of the radial shade lines of the corner background. On reliefs Nos. 1, 2 and 3 these three tiny lines usually run together, forming a solid triangular stub. Nearly all stamps from the 4th relief show a position dot below the notch formed by the head of the left bottom arrow. Stamp No. 100 in the left pane —(the tenth stamp in the bottom row)— shows three position dots close together.

Beside the shifts from relief No. 1 in the 4th and 7th rows, the writer has found only two shifted transfers on the 30c. In each of these two the lower right *side* arrow has its outer line doubled. One of these is from the 3rd relief and comes in the 3rd row, and the other is from the 4th relief and therefore comes in the bottom row.

The varieties found in the 30c stamp correspond in a general way to the types of the 1c 1851-'60 as now catalogued. On the 30c, however, the lower edge of the design is complete *only on the die*—never on the stamps—and the re-cutting appears to be confined to the scrolls at the bottom and to the arrows in the lower corners. The several varieties might be listed as follows:—

Type I—Scrolls complete.

Type II—Scrolls incomplete (three varieties).

Type III—Scrolls or arrows recut—

(a) Right arrow recut (
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cut (2 stamps).
(c) Scrolls and arrows recut (
stamp).

Type I comes from the first relief The three sub-varieties of type II are the stamps from the 2nd, 3rd and 4th reliefs. Type III comes from the 3rd relief. So far as is known all the recuts come in the left pane.

When a stamp exists printed from an original transfer and also from a plate that has been re-touched, as in the case of the 1c stamps from plate No. 1 of 1851-'60, often little difficulty is met in identifying the re-cutting; but when a plate is retouched *before* any stamps are printed from it there is more difficulty in making sure of any re-cutting. It is believed the 30c plate was retouched before stamps were printed from it and for this reason the writer hesitates to

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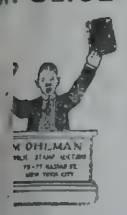

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give an opinion on the amount of re-cutting that was done. Quite possibly there was other re-cutting than will be mentioned here but the re-cutting here mentioned is believed to be actual and not imaginative.

The reader has noted that the outer corners of the lower side arrows are faint, broken or missing on the first and third reliefs. No attempt to repair these imperfections on the stamps from the first relief has been noted. All re-cuttings noted were found on stamps from the third relief—the relief which was most cut away. Four of these recuts are near each other in the third row. On three of them the lower right side arrow has been recut and on the fourth both lower side arrows have been recut. The other two recuts come in the 6th row. On one of them both the right and left side arrows have been recut and on the other the entire lower edge of the stamp appears to be touched up, *including the scrolls*. The curved recut line which defines the lower tip of each scroll is too flat, and quite unlike the original graceful curve. This, of course, is an extremely rare stamp—probably much rarer than type I of the imperforate 1c.

Collectors who are studying the stamps from plate 1 of the 10c 1855-'60 will note the similarity between the re-cuttings on that plate and those on the 30c plate. Probably it will never be known why some stamps on both plates were recut and many others that needed recutting just as badly were left untouched, or why the recut stamps were grouped so closely together. Perhaps the engraver intended to retouch the entire plate, or most of the stamps on it, and after touching up a few subjects where they needed it the most, gave up the job as being too much work for the result to be gained. He might start work anywhere and would be more apt to work in one location on the plate than to skip all over it, especially when fully half of the subjects needed retouching as much as did any of them.

No recuttings have been found on the 90c plate by the writer and as there were no alterations on the 90c reliefs the differences between the reliefs are very slight.

Relief No. 1—Design complete. There is considerable blur of color over the arch at the top. Many of the stamps in the 4th and 7th rows show four horizontal shade lines below the NTS of CENTS in the lower right corner. On one stamp in the 4th row the four shade lines extend all the way across the bottom of the design and the arch at the top is also shifted.

Relief No. 2—Design nearly complete. Less blur over the top than on reliefs No. 1 and No. 3. There is a weak or broken place in the three lines of shading at the bottom close to the left corner.

Relief No. 3—Design nearly complete. The inner fine line at the top over the panel containing "U. S. POSTAGE" is often dotted, broken or missing, especially in the center. More blur over the top than on any other relief.

Relief No. 4—Design nearly complete. Guide dot outside upper right corner on all stamps except No. 1 stamp on the plate which has two dots, one outside each upper corner. Faint horizontal position line sometimes shows just above the arch. Tip of left corner at bottom broken off. No blur over the top.

(To be concluded.)

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Cited—From Madison, Wisconsin, our valued correspondent, Mr. Lowell J. Ragatz, writes: "In connection with a study of modern imperialization which I am making at the present time, I have had occasion to read numerous reports of British Colonial officials and colonial surveys made during the past century. In these documents, references to the postal service are not infrequent but singularly enough, I have found postage stamps mentioned in but one place to date. This one reference is so interesting that I cannot refrain from mentioning it to you. In 'Problems of Greater Britain' (Macmillan, London), the author, the Right Hon. Sir Charles Wentworth Dilke, Bart., concerns himself with the relations of the English-speaking countries to one another and to the comparative politics, at the time, of the countries under British control. In Vol. 1, chapter 2, p. 565 (second edition), he states that British Bechuanaland was then being governed at a loss of one pound sterling *per* native *per* year, *i. e.*, that the revenue was far, far below administrative expenses. He was doubtful whether the British tax-payers would continue to be willing to cover this expense, even though the Aborigines' Protection Society held firmly that the territory should be retained under Imperial control. Still, if it could be shown that the receipts would soon more nearly approximate the expenditures, they might bear the burden uncomplainingly for a time longer. It is in this connection that Sir Dilke says: 'I have seen it said that the revenue of British Bechuanaland is increasing through the rise in the sale of stamps, accounted for by their popularity in the collections of the British school-boy.' Isn't that rich? To think that the purchases of collectors were recognized as a source of income which might determine whether or not the mother country would continue to hold her control over a territory where the presence of some few British families gave her a claim. The author goes no further, which rather surprised me, for, being familiar with the many suggestions for filling depleted treasuries which he constantly brings forth, I had expected him to suggest to the home government that it popularize stamp collecting if it desired to keep its officials in the region in question, without disgruntling the patient homeland tax-payers." We notice that Mr. Ragatz is war editor of *The Nineteen Twenty Badger*, "a graphic interpretation of Wisconsin's war spirit," a position that he will ably fill, we have no doubt.

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THE DEATH OF C. E. JENNEY.

(This appreciative sketch of Charles Elmer Jenney was published in a Fresno, Cal., paper and we are privileged to reprint the same through the courtesy of E. J. Crawford, who was intimately acquainted with Mr. Jenney. While many of our readers have known Mr. Jenney for his frequent contributions to the philatelic press, not even the editor was aware that he was so versatile in his talents. The story of his activities is indeed an interesting one.—W.)

Charles Elmer Jenney, noted as a poet of considerable merit, a botanist and naturalist of repute, and a resident of Fresno for nearly thirty years, died suddenly at Colfax.

Jenney was a native of Massachusetts and came to Fresno as a young man about thirty years ago, and resided in the county up to four years ago, when on the advice of his medical advisers he had to seek a higher altitude and went to Colfax.

Entering the employment of Noble Brothers, fruit packers, and latterly engaged in the insurance business, Jenney remained with the firm until he left for Colfax. His spare time he devoted to literary and scientific pursuits, and as a result of his studies he contributed many articles to newspapers and monthly periodicals on the natural history of California.

Besides writing on scientific subjects, Jenney also contributed verses to the newspapers and magazines, and some years ago he published a volume of poetry under the title of "California Nights' Entertainment." His verses are found in most anthologies of California poetry. The book was well received by the public and critics were generous in giving their praise to his descriptions of California scenery in verse. In a recent volume on "Literary California" several of Jenney's poems find a place beside the verses of Joaquin Miller and Bret Harte, and the prose descriptions of John Muir. Two of his poems are quoted in full, "The San Joaquin" and "The Sequoias."

As a botanist and geologist he received the recognition of authorities, and was chosen to arrange the collection on the natural history of California at the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco in 1915. This collection included his own private accumulation of natural history specimens, which is claimed to be among the largest private collections in the state. His collection was stored at his home on Glenn Avenue, Fresno.

Jenney had also a reputation as a philatelist. It is stated that his collection of stamps gave him a high rank among American experts in this line.

Though of studious habits Jenney found opportunity to give his services to the community by serving on the Fresno Park Commission for a number of years, and only resigned from this position on his leaving Fresno. During his tenure of office as a park commissioner he aided in the development of Roeding Park.

For some years Jenney was a member of the Fresno public library board. He was a member of the First Congregational Church.

It was stated that Jenney came to California as a young man on account of his health and though never gaining robust health, he was able to accomplish a large amount of work. About ten years ago while returning with his wife from a visit to his native state he lost a limb and received serious injuries to his remaining foot through a railroad accident at Kansas City. Though thus incapacitated it is said that he overcame the disability somewhat and still continued his interest in outdoor games.

For the past four years Jenney suffered from asthma, and his doctors advised his living at a higher altitude. Following their advice he went to live in a cottage in the woods at Colfax, and latterly removed into the town of Colfax.

Mrs. Jenney and a brother, who was visiting from Massachusetts, were beside him when he died.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—We are unable to secure replies to any letters sent Leon Barri, Jr., and Paul Dillingham.

—We are informed by Henry H. Hart, San Francisco, Calif., that he is about to make a year's trip through the Orient, in the course of which he will visit many of the countries known principally to philatelists by the stamps they issue. Mr. Hart promises to send us a series of letters dealing with his observations on stamps, stamp collectors, dealers, post offices and allied matters.

—Ordinary and registered mail for Czecho-Slovakia will be accepted by postmasters if it conforms with the Postal Union postage rates, conditions, and classifications. There is no provision for parcel post, however. Geo. Gregory submits for our inspection a 10 carmine that performed postal duty from Czecho-Slovakia.

—Who can give us the address of E. L. Fischer, formerly 3343 Carthage Av., Cincinnati, O.? Letters are returned marked "gone."

—M. Ohlman, 75 Nassau St., N. Y. C., can get no replies to letters sent Stephen J. Curran, Box 53, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. We advise interested parties to communicate all information to the Chief of Police of that city.

—H. L. Dickey, Newton, Kansas, informs us that F. R. Hayworth of the Wichita (Kan.) Stamp Co., has removed to a suburb of Chicago.

—A department "Stamp and Coin News", under the editorship of A. D. Hesive has been established in the *Pittsburg Dispatch.*

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from LeRoy Carroll, L. W. Bealer, F. A. Elgas and Arthur E. Rogin.

—Roy S. Barker, Providence, R. I., in a letter to us, writes: "The R. I. P. S. just had a good time last night, talking *stamps* instead of business, but I got two half dollars for you, which find enclosed." Why not do likewise?

—We are receiving evidence day by day that Alejandro García, Remedios, Cuba, is making good on his exchange of duplicates advertising. E. W. Theimer, one of the "victims," acknowledging satisfaction, writes us as follows in humorous vein:—

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The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—In our issue of March 29th we described an error envelope, namely the 3c Die A on White which appeared in the red of the 2c. Mr. J. M. Bartels now informs us that he has located 115 unused and 5 used of the same error on blue. These are window envelopes similar to the white but are Die E instead of Die A. This means that at least two Dies were used in embossing these stamps. The latter envelope is Size 5. It seems that a box originally containing five hundred were found in Waterbury, Conn., and the variety was noticed by a Post Office employee while passing through his hands, after a collector had shown him a copy on white. It is quite possible that this error will later be found on the other colored papers.

While speaking of envelopes, it may be interesting to mention that the discovery of these new varieties has created quite a stir as well as interest in the subject. All lines of United States issues are being specialized to such extremes that we would not be surprised to see envelopes come into their own.

In a recent issue we spoke of new plates being made by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing consisting of sixteen hundred subjects for printing the 1c and 3c surface type stamps. We wrote to the Director asking for information as to the lay-out of these plates and are in receipt of a letter dated April 15th from which we quote:

"In reply I beg to state that the lay out of each four hundred subject section of this plate is exactly the same as the four hundred subject sheets printed from the ordinary plate. The sheets will be quartered, gummed and perforated the same as at present, the margins remaining the same. The sheets of stamps as issued will not be different in any detail from those now in use."

We gave a list in one of our former chronicles of Provisional "NARCOTIC" Revenues and now desire to add the following from Detroit. The first issue we explained was surcharged by a red rubber stamp in such a manner that several surcharges fell upon each subject. Later a second type was used printed in the same color and consisting of capital letters, the word measuring 19 mm.x5 mm., and was applied to one stamp at a time. A complete list of the values so far known are as follows:

Detroit Provisionals

First Issue—1, 2, 4 & 8 red.
Second Issue—1, 2, 4, & 8 red.

Mr. W. T. Robey informs us that he has also located a sheet of the 13c perforated 11 on unwatermarked paper wherein the perforation cuts through the center of the stamp. It seems that all values are being found in this shape.

ANGOLA.—J. A. Lucas describes a newly-discovered variety of the 50r PROVISORIO of 1902, and of the 75r of 1903, having the letter G instead of C. The same correspondent states that two new provisionals have just been issued—viz. 1½c and 2½c surcharged on stamps (values not mentioned) of the Carlos and Manoel types.—*Stamp Collecting.*

DENMARK.—The Frank P. Brown Co. sends us the current 30 and 70 joined in a vertical pair. No information is available except that the stamps are designed for slot machine use.

GREAT BRITAIN.—The *British Philatelist* "is informed, on good authority," that the current high values, 2sh 6d, 5sh and 10sh, are to be printed by Messrs. Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co. As everyone knows these values, together with the 20sh, were printed, when first issued, by Waterlow Bros. & Layton. Two years later, namely, in 1915, the contract for printing these values passed into the hands of De la Rue & Co., the 20sh value being discontinued. The differences between these two printings are not very great, lying mainly in the shades of colour and the paper. It remains to be seen whether the work of the new printers, when it appears, will again be distinctive.—*Phil. Journal of Gt. Brit.*

ITALY.—Further information is now available concerning the numerous provisional issues which followed upon the Italian occupation of the Trentino and Trieste. Last month we chronicled the set of Austrian stamps overprinted "Regno d'Italia—Venezia Giulia—3. xi.-18." On its exhaustion this was followed by a set of Italian stamps which were overprinted VENEZIA GIULIA.

This issue was also a small one and was soon followed by a set of Italian stamps with the same overprint but with values in Austrian coinage added.

In addition the postage-due stamps have been overprinted, and finally the 25c Express delivery stamp with the same surcharge.

All the above were used in Trieste and neighborhood, but there were also similar issues for the Trentino. With the exception that we are spared the postage-dues and the Express Delivery stamps, the list of these is precisely similar to that of the VENEZIA GIULIA series, so we need not recapitulate them. The overprint on the Austrian stamps reads:—REGNO D'ITALIA—TRENTINO—3 NOV. 1918, in three lines, that on the Italian stamps reads VENEZIA—TRIDENTINA, in two lines, and this in turn has been superseded by similar stamps but further surcharged with values in Austrian currency.

LITHUANIA.—Here is another name new to the stamp album. From various Continental sources *Stamp Collecting* gathers the following information as to the stamps issued for this independent Russian State:—"So far only one denomination has appeared, this being both imperforate and perforated, but it is among the most extraordinary of all postage stamps, for it is printed on the back of a map. The design is in the characteristic style of a Russian local, such as the Volgoda or the later Poltava labels, but it is all in one colour, red (lithographed on white). The central device has the appearance of three very forlorn feathers, around which are a number of wavy lines, seemingly representing the rays of the sun. At the top is the word LATVIJA (Lithuania) curved, while at the foot is the inscription of value, "KAP 5 KAP." The paper is very thick—in fact, *carton*—and the collector will find additional interest in the various parts of map which he will be able to put together, like a "jig-saw" puzzle. The largest of the pieces submitted by Mr. Harmer has the imprint of the map printers on the map side—viz., "Gouvernement Kurland, Witeb.Bk.", parts of the scale measure and other details."—*Alfred Smith's Monthly Circular.*

MALTA.—Mr. Connor, of Hampstead, has shown us an interesting pair of the "One Penny" on 2½d showing one stamp with normal overprint and the other with double impression of the error of surcharge, "One Pnney."—*Alfred Smith's Monthly Circular.*

MEXICO.—Hermann Focke has this to say about the two new Red Cross stamps:—"The Mexican Red Cross stamp, 5c+3c, has not been reported before. I sent you the 10c blue+5c and although I knew at the time of the existence of this second value, that is the +3c on 5c, I did not mention it, because I had not seen it. Both stamps were issued shortly before Xmas 1918 and were in use for only a day or two; I consider these Red Cross stamps as two of the scarcest issued. I requested a

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SERVIA.—The publisher of Theodore Champion's *Bulletin Mensuel* wrote to the French Consul at Corfu to find out whether French stamps were really being used there for the Servian postoffice and received the following reply, which is reproduced in No. 187 of that interesting little paper:

"In reply to your letter of October 12th last I have the honor of informing you that it is quite correct that French stamps are being used by the Servian postoffice for the transmission of Servian correspondence in France. These stamps bear the surcharge POSTES SERBES."—*Albermarle Stamp Collector.*

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April 15, 1919.

The Boston Philatelic Society may well feel proud of the attendance and interest shown by its members this spring. There were 45 members and friends present this evening. Five new members were elected: Messrs. W. L. Carter, J. S. Sanford, Elliot L. Green, T. F. Emerson and Arthur T. Browne. The applications of the following were read and posted: Alfred C. Malm, Fred L. Dresser and W. M. Kennedy for resident; D. C. Alexander for non-resident, and John Howard Newton for junior membership. The auction for the Library Fund amounted to about $90.00. Mr. Sawyer showed his stamps of the Falkland Islands and read a short article in connection with his exhibit.

FREDERIC W. STILES, Sec'y.

NYASSA.—It appears that the 2½, 5, 10, 20, 25, 50, 75, 100, 200, 300, 400 and 500 reis stamps of Portuguese Nyassa were recently for a brief time employed to frank the correspondence of the British Imperial Forces stationed at Mtengula, a Portuguese port on Lake Nyassa, and that 207 of each of these denominations, a total of 2,404 specimens, were earmarked for this service by means of a franking stamp "Nyasaland F.F.2," similar to one which had formerly been employed for franking the "N.F." stamps of the Nyasaland Protectorate. These particulars are given in the *Philatelic Magazine* on the authority of Mr. A. Morgan, of Buluwayo; and by various of our contemporaries the franked stamps are chronicled under the heading "Nyasaland Protectorate." For this we can see no sort of excuse. The stamps are stamps issued by the Government of Portuguese Nyassa, and merely to frank them with a British Field Force obliteration certainly does not convert them into an issue by the Nyasaland Protectorate. The whole circumstances of the issue are against any such assumption, for it appears that the Portuguese authorities at Mtengula took a very decided stand against British Nyasaland stamps being issued to British troops while on Portuguese territory, and insisted, as was their right, that all correspondence from Mtengula must be franked with the postage stamps of Portuguese Nyassa.—*Alfred Smith's Monthly Circular.*

PORTUGAL.—Mr. A. W. Dunning has shown us a copy of the 35 reis stamp and advises us that there are four values, the others being 2½ gray, 5r black, and 10r brown. They are imperforate and have the CORREIOS at the top, the coat of arms in the middle with REINO DE PORTUGAL in a half circle above, and at the bottom REIS with the values in figures at each side. Mr. Dunning adds, "These were to have been issued to the public on Feb. 13th, but that very day there was a counter revolution and the monarchy collapsed. All four exist perforated and a few were used by officials."

PARAGUAY.—There being a shortage of 5, 10, 20 and 40 centavos stamps, provisionals have been created by the conversion of postage-dues of these values by a black overprint in two lines, reading "Habilitado 1918."—*Alfred Smith's Monthly Circular.*

PERSIA.—Lieut.-Colonel G. F. S. Napier lists the following recent Persian surcharges:—

On 1909 Issue.

Surcharged 1336 (in Persian numerals).
2 krans, 40,000 issued last April.
24 shahi on 4 krans, 50,000 issued last August.
10 krans on 5 krans, 25,000 issued last August.
3 krans, surcharged 1337 issued December.

On 1911 Issue.

6 shahi on 10 shahi, issued last December.
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Eddy's stamp is quite attractive and shows the national eagle in an unusual pose. It is an upright rectangle of the standard 1c size with "1" in a circle in each upper corner, "ONE CENT" on each side, the firm name above and "U. S. INTER. REV." below. The address, Ogdensburg, N. Y., appears just below the firm name.

Considering the short time it was in use a large quantity of this stamp—nearly ten millions—were issued. Just why the business should start with such a rush and then peter out in about six months the writer cannot say. It has been intimated that the concern was backed by a member of one of America's well known families of wealth and perhaps the match trust found it advisable to remove such a vigorous competitor.

The stamp is not rare but is indeed hard to find in good condition if well centered. Such copies are well worth the former catalog quotation of 25c. There is little variation in shade—less than would be expected from such a large printing. Color, lake. The Boston Book states:—

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THE COLLECTOR:—"A snapper-up of unconsidered trifles." (*The Winter's Tale,* V., 1).

THE ARTICLE:—"Trifles, light as air." (*Othello,* III., 3.)

. . . "The unshapéd use of it doth move
The hearers to collection."
(*Hamlet,* IV., 5).

"What is aught but as 'tis valued?"
(*Troilus & Cressida,* II., 2).

"As many vouched rarities are."
(*The Tempest,* II., 1.).

"Look you for any other issue."
(*Much Ado About Nothing,* II., 2).

"As if increase of appetite had grown
By what it fed on."
(*Hamlet,* I., 2.).

"Had'st thou not
The privilege of antiquity upon thee?"
(*All's Well,* II., 3).

THE DEALER:—"Let me deal in this."
(*Much Ado About Nothing,* V., 1).

"If I could meet that fancy-monger,
I would give him some good counsel."
(*As You Like It,* III., 2.).

"I will the second time
As I would buy thee, view thee limb by limb."
(*Troilus & Cressida,* IV., 5).

"Sell when you can, for you are not for all markets."
(*As You Like It,* III., 5).

E. AND O. E.:—"Of six preceding ancestors that gem, conferred by testament to the sequent issue."
(*All's Well,* V., 3.).

"Put on him what forgeries you please."
(*Hamlet,* II., 1).

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—*Stamp Coll. Fortnightly.*

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THE U. S. 2c CARD OF 1917-18.

By PERCY MCG. MANN.

The increase in postage rates taking effect on November 2, 1917, necessitated the issuance of a 2c postal card to take the place of the 1c card. The P. O. Department probably lost sight of the fact that a 2c card covering the international rate was already in use which could have been issued in larger quantities to take care of the increased demand for 2c cards. However, whether the Department lost sight of this fact or not, a new card was issued in Washington on October 22, 1917, several days before the new postal rate went into effect, and appeared in other cities at different times later.

Mr. Joseph B. Leavy in *The American Philatelist* says a design was prepared showing the head of Grover Cleveland, but, in view of the fact that this country had entered the world war in support of the doctrine of democracy promulgated by our third President, it was deemed more appropriate to substitute the head of Thomas Jefferson.

"At the time the design was finally approved the Bureau of Engraving and Printing was overcrowded with more important war work and could not immediately prepare the necessary engraved die of the design nor manufacture the printing plates.

"The Bureau of Engraving and Printing furnished a pen and ink drawing of the design to the Government Printing Office and," states Mr. Leavy, "that latter institution manufactured therefrom typographic plates by the photo-lithography process."

In MEKEEL'S WEEKLY for November 17, 1917, I chronicled the fact that the plates were made by The Maurice Joyce Engraving Co., and this firm states the fact itself in an advertisement printed on the back of one of the cards, mailed in Washington and addressed to the Smithsonian Institution late in October, 1917 (the exact day is illegible in the cancellation).

Mr. Leavy states in the article quoted above that the plates, known officially as "hardened copper plates," were very inferior in execution and the cards printed therefrom appear crude and coarse. Also that the plates did not last under printing pressure but "mashed up," making late printings even more coarse and smudged.

The same writer states that the first printings were in carmine and later printings in rose-red, an intentional change of ink. Be this as it may, I originally chronicled the card as being in carmine but upon seeing some of the later printings (MEKEEL'S WEEKLY, January 26, 1918) I had to call the earlier card carmine-rose, and my present list includes: carmine-rose, carmine, dark carmine, red, light red, dark carmine-red and light carmine-red. And this list may be modified at any time when more careful comparisons are made.

Soon after the appearance of the 2c card, I noticed a variety without certain lines of shading on Jefferson's face (MEKEEL'S WEEKLY, January 26, 1918), which I concluded was due to the etching of the stereotypes. As this variety is distinct, it deserves a place in all postal card lists. I described it thus: "In the original the portrait of Jefferson is quite well filled with lines and dots of shading all over the face, while the second type portrait shows most of the dots missing, especially around the forehead, under the eye and about the mouth."

Recently, Mr. Ward in MEKEEL'S WEEKLY erroneously used the chronicle of this second type of the first die as being the chronicle of the second die of the 2c card which was issued to the public on January 23, 1918. But as I had not heard of nor seen the second die, I had not chronicled it at this time (Jan. 26, 1918).

Mr. Leavy states that the cards were so wretchedly poor in execution that all possible pressure was brought to bear upon the Bureau of Engraving and Printing with the result that within three months that institution had engraved a die and manufactured plates, officially known as "hardened steel plates," from which cards were printed and issued to the public on January 23, 1918. "These cards being printed from engraved steel plates show a well executed likeness of Thomas Jefferson etched in fine smooth lines. The printing reverted to the carmine ink of the first typographed cards."

The reversion to carmine, however

The 3c die II, and the 4c Rotary Coils, have appeared on unwatermarked paper, Perf. 10. The 3c is in a bluish violet and the 4c is light yellow brown.

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The following description of their manufacture is interestingly written by Mr. Leavy, in the *American Philatelist:*

"The hardened steel plates used for printing the present cards are engraved steel *surface printing* plates. As we were heretofore ignorant of the fact that this method of manufacture was used by the Government in any of its printing work, we deem a description of interest to our readers.

"A die is deeply engraved with the design in recess, . . . from this die transfers are taken on oblong flat pieces of steel, with the design in relief, before hardening these oblong pieces of steel are slightly curved vertically, each is known as a plate, forty-eight are fastened with set screws to a diagonally grooved cylinder, in four rows of twelve, allowing for the proper spacing of the card size, this cylinder is used for printing the cards and is known as the 'make up plate.' The card is in a large roll or drum and together with the make up plate is placed in a press similar to that used for printing newspapers, each revolution of the make up plate prints forty-eight cards and the drum of card paper is cut at the end of each revolution, the sheets of forty-eight cards being later fed to a machine which cuts them into single postal cards."

The following description will serve to distinguish the two dies of the 2c card:

1917.—Typographed from stereotyped copper plates, made by the Maurice Joyce Engraving Co., at the Government Printing Office, Washington.—Die I, (48 types ?)—Type I: the base of the numerals "2" extends downward at the left and terminates in a point; the hair at the back of Jefferson's shoulder points downward toward the curve of the "D" in "CARD." Type II: like Type I but differs in shading of face, the dots about the forehead, eye and mouth are missing to a great extent.

1918.—Typographed from engraved steel plates, made by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Washington.—Die II: The base of the numerals "2" extends downward at the left into a ball or scroll form; a ribbon has been added to the hair at the back of Jefferson's shoulder, and the upper loop of this ribbon points directly toward the upright first stroke of the "D" in "CARD."

The two dies differ in other particulars, but the partial description given will identify them.

LIST.

1917—Die I.
Type I
2c carmine-rose
2c carmine
2c dark carmine
2c red
2c light red
2c dark carmine-red
2c light carmine-red
Type II.
2c carmine-rose
2c carmine
2c dark carmine
2c red
2c light red
2c dark carmine-red
2c light carmine-red
1918—Die II.
2c red
2c carmine-red
2c carmine
2c carmine-rose

—*P. C. S. of A. Bulletin.*

Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

1600 SUBJECT PLATES.

By P. M. MANN.

It is not my intention to explain through a lengthy article the whys and wherefores of the new 1600 subject plates recently prepared for the printing of postage stamps, nor to detail the numbers of the plates. This has been reasonably covered elsewhere in the WEEKLY and those interested have read and pondered about the subject. Naturally, every collector interested in the making of U. S. stamps, especially the ultra-specialist, would be pleased to know if these new plates will differ in any particular from the 400 subject plates.

We have been told in the philatelic press that the 1600 subject plates will be made up of four of the 400 subjects with a satisfactory gutter dividing the 1600 subjects into four parts of 400 subjects each, and that each 400 part will be identically marked as the present 400 subject plates are now, that is with guide lines, arrows, etc. That the printed sheet of 1600 stamps will be cut into four sheets of 400 stamps each and thus ready to be perforated in the manner that 400 subject sheets are now perforated, has also been stated, together with the fact that the sheets cannot be distinguished after being issued, except for the plate number, which will tell us that such and such a plate was a 1600 subject one.

Collectors of Revenue Stamps have been aware for some time that some, if not all, of the current (1917) Documentary stamps have been and are being printed from 1600 subject plates. The 1600 subject sheets have a cross (+) mark in the very center of the sheet, to guide the cutting into 400 subject sheets and thus making ready for the perforating machines.

It is probable that the 1600 subject postage stamp sheets will also have this + mark. If so, the collector of corner blocks will be on the lookout for the crosses, just the same as the booklet pane collector looks for the various guides.

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CANADA WAR TAX NOS. 301-3.

(We feel that this clipping from the West End Philatelist adds quite a little light to the consideration of the Canada war tax stamp situation. Note that this Coulter communication is dated May 20, 1915, only three months after the 5, 20 and 50c stamps were overprinted. It would seem as though while these stamps may possibly have slipped through the mails and done postal duty, the P. O. Department gave absolutely no recognition to them as postage stamps, and discouraged their use as such in every possible manner.—W. O. W.)

A series of three values of Canadian postage stamps *overprinted* WAR TAX diagonally in large sans-serif capitals, and issued on February 12th, 1915, was intended for fiscal use only pending the preparation of special "Inland Revenue War Tax" stamps, and was current for a period of three days only. Owing to a misinterpretation of the official instructions regarding their use, however, a number of specimens were used postally, a circumstance which called forth the following communication from the Deputy Postmaster-General of Canada:

Post Office Department, Canada,
OTTAWA, May 20th, 1915.

CIRCULAR TO POSTMASTERS.

With reference to departmental circulars of the 5th March last, informing the Postmaster that postage stamps of five cent, twenty cent and fifty cent denominations impressed with the words "WAR TAX" were being used by the Inland Revenue Department for the collection of the War Tax on wines, etc., and especially instructing the Postmaster that postage stamps of these denominations having the words "WAR TAX" impressed upon them were not to be accepted as postage, as they were being used exclusively for Inland Revenue purposes, the Postmaster is informed that it has been ascertained that these stamps are still in circulation, and he is again warned against accepting them for prepayment of postage, as these were issued for Inland Revenue purposes only, and cannot under any circumstances be accepted as postage.

The one and two cent postage stamps upon which the words "WAR TAX" have been impressed may be accepted for the prepayment of postage and may also be accepted for the prepayment of war duties in all cases whatsoever, but this does not apply to postage stamps of higher denominations upon which the words "WAR TAX" are printed, nor does it apply to Inland Revenue war tax stamps of any denomination whatsoever, as these were issued for Inland Revenue postage only.

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By CHRISTOPHER WEST.

Without a doubt the design of the Hutchinson stamp is the most appropriate of any of the match stamps engraved by the Bureau, unless we make an exception in favor of the stamp of J. J. Allen's Sons. Indeed, many of the Bank Note Co. productions do not compare favorably with the Hutchinson. Upon a circular disk in its center is borne a "card" of sulphur matches such as were in common use in New England in the '80's—the very matches which Hutchinson made and upon which his stamp paid the 1c per hundred tax. And not only is the conception most fitting but also the drawing and the execution of the whole design are altogether pleasing. In many details it resembles the Leeds, Robinson adhesive which was also a Bureau engraved stamp of the same period, but the latter is too overloaded with inscriptions to be as charming as the Hutchinson stamp.

It is an upright rectangle of the standard 1c size bearing a numeral "1" in each corner, "ONE CENT" at the top, "MATCHES" at the bottom, and "D. F. HUTCHINSON Jr.—SOMERVILLE. MASS." on a band around the central disk. Only 10,000 sheets were issued and the lake color varies little in shade. The Boston Book states:—

First issued, October 24, 1881.
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The stamp is listed rouletted but only a single copy is known to exist. After a careful examination of the specimen and study of the facts regarding rouletted M & M and general issue proprietary stamps, the writer is quite certain neither this copy nor any Hutchinson stamps were ever officially rouletted. That is to say, the copy in question is either an unofficial roulette or just a plain fake, with the odds greatly in favor of the latter.

When the Bureau first took over the production of the proprietary revenues in October, 1880, they rouletted some of the stamps, but only for a short time. It is believed that they were insufficiently equipped with perforating machines and had to employ the rouletting machines they were using for the tax paid stamps. If the Bureau was still using rouletting machines on M & M stamps as late as October, 1881, there would be many more rouletted M & M and they would be far commoner than is the case. The writer believes rouletting of general issue and private die stamps at the Bureau ceased months before the first Hutchinson stamp was printed. The Bureau perforating was often erratic and it is not difficult to find perforated stamps with large margins that can be trimmed into "imperfs" or made into fake roulettes and still appear quite satisfactory. Such "imperfs" are too frequently offered by ignorant or unscrupulous vendors.

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EDITORIAL.

Details—The new revenue law approved by President Wilson on February 24th, 1919, provides for the imposition of new stamp taxes, as many of our readers know. The proprietary medicine tax has been revived and on and after May 1, 1919, retail druggists must affix a stamp that represents a charge of one cent on twenty-five cents, or fraction thereof, of the selling prices. Proprietary medicines and toilet articles, except toilet soaps, are taxable. As the tax must be paid by the purchaser from the stock of the seller "on hand," it will be incumbent upon the retailer to cancel the stamps by writing his name or initials upon them. The fact that a tax may have been paid upon the article under a former law does not relieve the payment of the present tax. An important departure is made in the collection of this proprietary tax, as it is stipulated that the tax may be collected, "in the Commissioner's discretion, either by (1) stamp affixed to the article by vendor, cost of which shall be reimbursed to vendor by purchaser, or (2) by payment to the vendor by purchaser at the time of sale, the taxes so collected being returned and paid to the United States by vendor." When the taxes are collected by the vendor in cash, monthly returns must be made, under oath. Here we see the probability of a decided restriction in the use of the revenue stamps and the removal of any necessity for provisional issues due to the inability to procure stamps. The new proprietary stamps will be placed on sale April 28th, 1919.

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Difficulties—The provisional narcotic stamps are of interest to some collectors and their origin is due to a revised interpretation of the law. The vehicle for the narcotic is held to co-exist with it, for tax purposes. Further, each unit in the so-called original package, however small, will have to bear a tax stamp across the stopper of the bottle; and so, stamps of different size will be advisable. Heretofore, the original package was taxed and the units were not, we understand; and consequently, when the government found that drugs on which the tax may have been paid in the "original package" were offered and, inasmuch as the absence of appropriate stamps was *prima facie* evidence of a violation, recent seizures of unstamped containers created some consternation. Manufacturers have claimed that narcotic goods shipped since February 25, 1919, without stamps were so consigned because the tax stamps could not be obtained from the local officers. The department declares that it instructed revenue collectors to sell the documentary stamps, with the word "Narcotic" written across the top, pending the receipt of the new narcotic stamps. At any rate, the printed Narcotic on documentary stamps are making their appearance. The tax is one cent an ounce or fraction.

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Determined—From Mr. Lowell J. Ragatz, Madison, Wisconsin, we have received another citation that is replete with stamp suggestion: "In citing Civil War precedents for British dealings with neutrals at sea, A. Maurice Low, author of 'The Law of Blockade', quotes a ruling by Chief Justice Chase of the United States Supreme Court, at the time, in the case of the ship The Bermuda (The Bermuda, 3 Wall, 515) whereby 'printing presses, material and paper, and postage stamps belonging to the enemy' were declared contraband. The decision in this case resulted in the holding up, among other things, of a large shipment of stamps from London to Richmond, *via* Nassau. It was on this decision, construed so as to fit a somewhat altered case that the British government held up the shipment of Liberian postage stamps which had been sent to that country from the printers in Berlin." The blockade runners pursued their hazardous course with success at times but it is among the traditions that some of the London print, five cent Confederate, never reached their destination, as the vessels which included them in their supplies were intercepted by the federal gunboats.

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Dubious—We are impressed by the somewhat disconcerting editorial in the March number of the *London Philatelist*; and from it, a paragraph is taken: "We had hoped to have been able to carry the flag through these strenuous times without change, but circumstances are too strong for us and we have reluctantly been compelled to either materially advance our subscription rates, or join the ranks of those journals which have ceased publication 'for the period', or—permanently." In short, the subscription rate has been increased to one pound and one shilling for the year, or two shillings a number. While we are not conversant with the difficulties that beset philatelic publishing in Great Britain, at present, we know in a general way that they are formidable. We hope sincerely that by no conspiracy of circumstances will the publication of this superior journal be suspended; its absence would be a deprivation that would be felt in let us say the upper realms of philately. In this country, philatelic publishing enterprise is at a low ebb or quite the contrary to the present prosperity. Too, the prices of the stamp publications are fixed traditionally here and a yearly subscription rate of over five dollars for a philatelic monthly would shock some of us into insensibility. It is paradoxical that while philately generally is in a flourishing condition, its representative, the philatelic press, is suffering from inanition. The dealers here must become more liberal in their treatment of their trade papers, if the press is to endure with any credit for the pursuit.

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Drift—We notice that Philadelphia Branch No. 18 of the American Philatelic Society has nominated a ticket for the coming election in the oldest national society. In the list, the office of international secretary is assigned to Mr. Philip Dengler of Philadelphia, who is described as a worthy successor to Mr. Kjellstedt, deceased. Mr. H. H. Wilson of New York is given the place of honor on the ticket. The secretary of the American Philatelic Society, Dr. H. A. Davis, is relieved, no doubt, to know that the ballot will not be devoid of names; and it is becoming that an interest be shown in the political workings of the society. At the St. Louis convention, one of the questions that will be discussed is the appointment of a protective or vigilance committee who will be empowered to take certain steps when the interests of philately are attacked and immediate protest is justified. It is known that in the past there have been occasions when it was advisable for the society to place itself on record as an emergency arose and provision should be made to make action possible during the long interval between the annual conventions.

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Decided—A reader who evidently was not allowed the right to purchase Narcotic stamps for collecting purposes asks whether it is prohibited that they be sold in the manner indicated. We referred the question to the advocate at the Chicago office and were informed by him that in his opinion the stamps could be sold to individuals who intended to use these stamps only for collections.

NEW REVENUE STAMPS.

We have Wm. T. Kimball to thank for a copy of the *Postal Bulletin* dated April 26, which gives particulars in connection with the issue of internal revenue proprietary stamps authorized by the Revenue Act of 1918. These stamps are to be used for medicinal and toilet preparations and the act becomes effective May 1. The denominations are 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 20 and 40c.

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

—We have received several clippings from the Newark, N. J., *Sunday Call* sent in by C. M. Breder, who is one of our most faithful correspondents in this direction. One of these is a half-column article devoted to the 3c envelope errors and the new 3c Victory stamp.

—W. H. Z.—As a matter of general information we reply to your question in print. "Album Weeds" is now out of print and we know of no stamp firm which has a supply. It is a book that is not kept up-to-date by supplements or new editions. Your best chance of getting a copy is to write F. H. Vallancey, 89 Farringdon St., London, England.

—We are pleased to say that we have heard from the Hermes Stamp Co. and all differences between our company and this firm have been satisfactorily adjusted. We are glad to be able to make this statement.

—Mrs. Oughtred reports that D. B. Crockett, Nutley, N. J., has adjusted her claim.

—Franklin Cooper can get no reply to letters sent Gabriel Block, Box 244, Franklin, N. J.

—L. V. Lindsey, Norwich, N. Y., would like to hear from anyone who is unable to secure replies to letters sent Edw. S. Pierce, 31 Milk St., Boston, Mass. He cannot now be found at that address. Another address used by Pierce is Millis, Mass. Mr. Lindsey would like quick action.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from J. M. Bartels, O. T. Wilson and Arthur B. Tillson.

—Will the party who sent a letter to this office addressed to H. S. Abbott write him another letter and mail the same to 402 Federal Bldg., Minneapolis, Minn.? The original letter sent to this office has been mislaid. In this connection we beg once more to say that it is exceedingly difficult for us to comply with requests to forward mail. Our mailing list is not arranged alphabetically but by states, cities and towns. The situation is even more complex in that various states have their mailing routes.

—We are pleased to say that we have heard from Paul Dillingham and the matter in question between him and the publishers of the WEEKLY has been satisfactorily adjusted. We take this opportunity of making this public announcement.

—*Griebert's Philatelic Notes and Offers,* which has been temporarily suspended, will resume publication the first of next month. All who are interested in the collecting of new issues will find this publication of great service. It is published six times per year and the subscription price is 24c. Address Hugo Griebert, 170 Strand, London, England.

—Mr. Arp of San Francisco, Trustee of the S. P. A., reports that each of the four societies in and near San Francisco are each endeavoring to get $150 together to entertain the S. P. A. convention to be held in their city in August. They promise a royal good time to everyone who comes. San Francisco knows how to entertain.

—"The Bureau of Engraving and Printing is experimenting with a machine with finer perforations in stamps than now issued. No stamps, however, have been issued to postmasters. No imperforate stamps of the Lincoln, Alaska-Yukon, or Hudson-Fulton issues are now available.—A. M. DOCKERY, 3d Asst. P. M. G.

—At a meeting of the Philadelphia Branch No. 18, the following ticket was nominated for the coming election of the A. P. S.:—Pres., H. H. Wilson, New York; Board of Vice Pres., F. S. Parmelee, H. A. Whipple, W. P. Wherry, Nebraska; Sec., H. A. Davis, Colorado; Treas., J. E. Scott, Michigan; Int. Sec., Philip Dengler, Penna.; Directors at Large, H. B. Phillips, Calif., and Alvin Good, Ohio.

—Our acquaintanceship with B. Gordon Bushnell, the publisher of the proposed stamp paper *Bushnell's Magazine,* is such that we have no hesitation in advising our subscribers to enroll their names in support of this new publication.

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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

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The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Mention was recently made in one of our editorials that the current 1c stamp had been found perforated 12½. This sounded most unusual, for we well recall the trouble the Post Office had with the perforated 12 sheets, and we could not understand why they were making the perforation smaller. We wrote the Bureau for detailed information and are advised under date of April 22nd by Acting Director Fisher that "there has been no change in the perforating of the stamps, either 1c or other denominations."

He further states, however, "that the Bureau has been experimenting with a machine for perforating stamps, in the hope that the work may be done more economically and expeditiously, but no definite conclusions in this matter have been reached, so that there is nothing for me to advise you in regard to the matter at this time."

We cannot help wondering what the Bureau is doing with the sheets of stamps that they are using in their experiments, for we know their economical ways and it is hard to believe that they would destroy anything that could be sold for postal use.

Mr. W. A. Langdon kindly submits for our inspection a sheet of one hundred and ten subjects of the 1c green, engraved perforated 11, unwatermarked, from the lower left-hand pane of sheet 8461. One hundred of the stamps are precancelled, the left vertical row remaining uncancelled. This sheet is not one of the off centered badly perforated sheets which we described in a recent issue, but is a well centered sheet containing eleven vertical rows which naturally include the vertical guide line and arrow. It seems that this was wrapped in the package of one hundred sheets in such a manner that the left margin was partly torn off so that the sheet would readily match up in size with the others. Some postmaster will, of course, find the sheet of ninety from the other pane, but as yet we have not learned of its existence.

The same gentleman kindly favors us with a vertical block of twenty of the 8c perf. 11, unwatermarked, from the left side of the lower left pane of sheet 7742, wherein the horizontal perforations are double for about three-quarters the width of the stamp. In other words, an attempt was made to perforate the sheet the second time and the error was noted before the sheet had gotten very far.

In recent issues we have mentioned the finding of the current DOCUMENTARY 1c and 40c with double impression. Mr. George Soulman sends us a block of the 3c in similar condition. The Documentary stamps are printed by the offset method and, consequently, these double impressions occur in a similar manner to those of the 3c current postage stamp.

Mr. Soulman also calls our attention to the printing of the 3c Victory stamp, wherein a portion of the plate has been over-inked. This results in a very pleasing impression wherein the flags are darker and stand out more clearly. These are usually found around the outer edges of the sheets. We thank Mr. Ernest Irion for similar information.

Mr. Morton Dean Joyce submits for our inspection sixteen plate number strips of three taken from the sixteen different plates of the 3c Victory stamp. Each of these are from the upper right pane and it is of interest to mention that the letter "F" signifying that the plate is finished appears in front of 11 out of the 16 strips. Of course, the other five plates have the "F" in other positions on the sheet. Numbers 9413-28-29 show the small straight line capital "F", whereas plates No. 9414-15-16-18-19-30-32 and 33 have the capital "F" with serifs. Plates No. 9412-17-26-27 and 31 have the letter elsewhere.

Mr. W. S. Ledbetter submits a vertical pair of the same stamp from the lower left-hand pane showing two sets of engravers' initials, namely "J.T.W.M." and "O.H.H." This indicates that at least two people worked upon the transferring and finishing of this plate.

Mr. Harman Wendell submits for our inspection a copy of the $60.00 Documentary issue of 1917 Scott's 4245, and calls our attention to the fact that this is not perforated 11 as the catalogue states. We find on close investigation that the stamp is perforated 12, and as these stamps are in much smaller sheets we judge that they are perforated by a special machine which gauges 12. We, therefore, doubt whether any of these higher value Documentary stamps are perforated 11, as Scott would lead us to believe. Please, Mr. Luff, look into this matter more thoroughly and make changes in the next catalogue.

Prof. M. Loewy is the first to favor us with a copy of the new 8c Provisional Playing Card Stamp. The one that he sends is used by the Republic Playing Card Company and is surcharged in red, inverted, "8c—R.P.C. CO. 4-1-'19." We have no doubt all other Companies are issuing similar provisionals and we will gladly welcome information concerning same.

We wish to express our appreciation for numerous notes from Messrs. D. W. Hudson. L. W. Bealer, Byron Jaskulek, Frank Kocher, H. V. Swallow, J. C. Northrup, and E. W. Fuss, the latter sending us some very interesting covers from the American Forces in France.

AZORES.—Mr. Barton Morse has shown us a copy of the current 3½c Portugal stamp surcharged ACORES in black.

BELGIUM.—Henry Hooreman informs us that a new stamp is about to appear showing a portrait of the King with his helmet on. The appearance of this stamp foreshadows a complete new issue ultimately.

BRITISH GUIANA.—Mr. Hugo Griebert has shown us a new printing of the 6c stamp and notes the color is somewhat different than heretofore.

CANADA.—We are indebted to Mr. J. Wedderburn Wilson, of Caldy, Cheshire, for the sight of two postally used copies of the current 20c stamp, which he received some weeks ago on a parcel from Toronto. These specimens are in a totally different color to the normal olive, the new shade being closely allied to that of the 3c value, except that the portrait and the spandrels are in a paler hue than the rest of the stamps. So far, we have not received specimens or news of this novelty from any dealer.—*Stamp Collecting.*

CAYMAN ISLANDS.—Mr. Frank M. Mason advises us that the apparently light pink paper on which the new ½d WAR stamps are printed is a result of the sheets of stamps being placed between paper of this pale pink and that it is not a paper of special color.

CHINA.—S. S. Wang Chin Chai has shown us the new 1½c card. The design is the same as the current adhesives and is printed in blue.

EGYPT.—Mr. Hugo Griebert has shown us a copy of the 3pias, provisional stamp. The official stamp No. 201 has been surcharged "3 P. T." with Egyptian characters in two lines. The printing is in black.

FRANCE.—Mr. W. T. Wilson has shown us a copy of the new "War Orphans" series issued March 25. The stamp is of a pale green color wit REPUBLIQUE FRANCAISE at th top, POSTES at the bottom togethe with the value 5c+5c. There are tw children in the foreground, the large with his arm around the smaller on and above directly under the wor FRANCAISE is ORPHELINS DE L GUERRE.

FRENCH P. O. IN CANTON.—Mr. Jame M. Henry has shown us copies of th 2/5c, 4c, 10c and Red Cross stamps re cently put on sale. The 2/5c is sur charged in black on the current 1c Ind China and does not have the Canto surcharge. The 4c is surcharged in blu on the 10c Canton, while the 10c i surcharged in black on the 25c Canto stamp. The Red Cross surcharge is o the 5c Indo China stamp, which is als surcharged 4 cents, in blue. The Re Cross is in the upper left corner and ha beside it the "5C", both printed carmine

JAMAICA.—The half-penny war ta stamp of 1916, with the words WA TAX in one line, has recently appeare with inverted overprint and has bee offered extensively to dealers in thi country. On comparing the normal an inverted overprints we find their genera appearance very similar, but the latte seems to be from new and clean typ with thin strokes to the letters, whereas the normal overprint has many defectiv letters and the lines are thick, as if th face of the type had been flattened b long use. On submitting samples of th stamps to our printing department w are informed that, though the two over prints have a marked resemblance, they are from two different styles of type the normal being termed "Caslon" and the inverted "Roman." It is obvious that the latter is a counterfeit.—*Scott's Monthly Circular.*

INDIAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.—We have before us a letter from Baghdad, dated February 20, in which our correspondent says:—"I am sending you herewith some stamps issued for the Mosul district, which were sold at a certain post office in Baghdad in complete sets only. I hastened thither and was just in time to secure the last seven sets. The Mosul stamps may possibly be very

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NETHERLANDS.—Mr. Frank P. Brown has shown us the 1½c No. 179 with a red surcharge.

NYASSA.—We have to thank Mr. Maury for news of the appearance of the under-mentioned provisionals, all of which must be rare, as very few seem to have been issued; of the first three, for example—¼, ½ and 1 centavo—it is stated that not more than 500 copies were surcharged; while of the 1½ and 2 centavos only 1,000 are reported to have been issued. Overprinted locally with word REPUBLICA in small capitals, and new value:—

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SWEDEN.—Mr. W. T. Wilson has shown us a copy of the 8 öre OFFICIAL stamp just out. It is printed on wavy lines watermarked paper, and is of a claret color.

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.—The Economist Stamp Co. have shown us the one penny war tax stamp of the last printing with double surcharge. It is stated that one sheet (120 stamps) was found. This is the setting in which nineteen stamps have the word TAX 10 mm. wide instead of the usual 9 mm., and this variety is, of course, doubly printed also. —*Scott's Monthly Circular.*

UKRAINIA.—In our Chronicle will be found a list of Russian stamps surcharged with a curious device somewhat resembling a trident. *Champion's Bulletin Mensuel* states that this device is called the "Emblem of Liberty" and figures in the arms of the Republic. We notice that it appears in four of their five new stamps and in two of them it forms the principal feature of the design. Elsewhere it is described as a symbolical representation of the Holy Spirit descending in the form of a dove. Still another version is that the device is patterned after the sacred candlesticks in the cathedral of Saint Sophia at Kiev —which city is regarded by the Ukrainians as the cradle of Christianity — and that the use of the device proclaims the triumph of Christianity over the Mohammedans. — *Scott's Monthly Circular.*

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The society, which is now two years old, has not done much during the war beyond maintaining its organization, but now expects to go ahead with an increasing membership roll as the "boys" gradually return to their homes and conditions become more nearly normal. Meetings are held on the first and third Thursdays of each month in the Reading Room, Oregon Building, corner of Fifth and Oak Streets in Portland, and visitors are always welcome. The Secretary's address is 393 Killingsworth Ave., Portland, Oregon.

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If the Postmaster General were not having so many other troubles just now, much could, and probably would, be said in criticism of the new Victory stamps he is now selling. Even as it is, a mild complaint about these stamps can be made without an unpardonably great departure from that kindliness and consideration which we are all in duty bound to show to everybody, and especially to the unhappy and the unfortunate.

For, as art, the Victory issue is really very trying. Crowded and confused in design, it takes close inspection to decide what it was the intention to picture on them, and—well, the reward is not commensurate with the labor expended. Of a type so large and meaty is the figure among the flags that there is difficulty in evading the suspicion that the artist went to Germany for his model, or brought her from there in pre-embargo days.

On a mere hasty glance the stamps suggest or recall the work of the artists who have decorated the front of New York's Public Library—artists who evidently drew their inspiration from the older editions of Captain Cook's "Voyages"—the editions containing the pictures of scenes in the Fiji Islands on festal days before the missionaries went there.

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Belgium.—A special issue to commemorate the liberation of Belgium is heralded, comprising the values 5, 10 and 25 centimes, all bearing the likeness of King Albert. A new general postage issue is also said to be impending.

Bohemia.—The Headsplin fortress of Prague depicted upon the new permanent stamps of the Czecho-Slavs, stands upon the left bank of the river Moldau, dominating the city. Founded in 1333, and restored in 1757-75, it was the scene of a regrettable incident—which precipitated the outbreak of the Thirty Years' War, when, by order of Count Thurm, the imperial officers Martinitz and Slawator were flung bodily from one of the windows. The Cathedral of Prague (1334) stands upon the same height, together with various palaces, monasteries and gardens. At the foot of the hill are the Bohemian Parliament Buildings and the Straka Academy.

British Colonies.—From the *Philatelic Magazine* we learn that the universal P. & R. Key-plate numbers 1, 2, 3 and 5 have been destroyed, and two new plates numbered 6 and 7 constructed. Plates Nos. 4 and 7 are now employed together for printing sheets of 240 stamps. Key-plates No. 5 and 6 print sheets of 120 only.

Forthcoming new Colonial stamps announced by the *Colonial Journal* include: Bahamas, 2d grey; Ceylon, 1 cent brown; Cyprus, 9 piastres red and purple on *yellow;* Dominica, 23, purple and blue on blue. Hong Kong—a new plate for the 25 cents value, is being prepared, owing to the discovery of an error in the Chinese character for "two" on the existing plate. Kedah, 2 cents green on 4 cents red; Leeward Islands, 1s black on green, 5s green on red on *yellow*: Montserrat, 1½d War Stamp with black overprint; Nyasaland Protectorate, 2sh 6d black and red on *blue*: Turks Islands, 3d overprinted "WAR TAX" in red; Gilbert and Ellice Islands, 3d purple on *yellow.*

Esthonia.—The Republic of Esthonia, whose independence was proclaimed on November 11th, 1918, occupies some 7,817 square miles of territory on the shores of the Gulf of Finland. The chief town and port is Reval. Originally belonging to Denmark, and later to Sweden, it was brought under Russian influence in 1721 by the treaty of Nystadt.

Great Britain.—We understand that the current 2sh 6d, 5sh and 10sh stamps will in future be printed by Bradbury, Wilkinson and Co. instead of by the present printers (De la Rue & Co.). This makes the third change in the printers of the line-engraved values since their introduction.

Russia.—The two recently-issued stamps of the Bolshevik Republic form part of a complete general postage series, designs for which were prepared over a year ago, but whose production has been somewhat delayed by internal conditions in the land of their origin. The first design—to be used for the lower values—the Russian Eagle, is the work of the artist Tchchonin, whilst the four other types—(1) hand cutting chain with sword, (2) old Russian Knight, (3) St. George and Dragon, (4) allegorical figure of Liberty blessing soldiers—are from the brain of M. Savin, chief engraver to the State Printing Office, who was also responsible for the Romanoff series and the War Charity stamps of 1905.

The two stamps referred to, though usually known as "Bolshevik" stamps, are attributed by some authorities to the Government preceding.

Ukraine.—The curious trident-like device adopted as the national symbol of the Ukraine Republic and which figures on the majority of its postage stamps is intended to represent the sacred candelabra of the Cathedral of St. Sophia (A. D. 1037) at Kieff. In the Greek Church these candelabra symbolise the domination of the Christian faith over the Mussulman foe. They have previously figured in a postage stamp design, being found upon the special series of the Russian occupation of Crete, issued at Rethyme in 1899.

Uruguay.—A Peace commemorative stamp is to be issued here in the near future.—*West End Philatelist.*

THE SCARCITY OF SILVER.

(We have received an article from a correspondent in Shanghai which deals with the scarcity of silver and predicts higher silver values during 1919, due to the diminishing production of silver everywhere. We would like to reprint the article in its entirety in view of the interest that stamp collectors have in the silver coinage of the East. We are compelled, however, to confine ourselves to the letter sent in by our correspondent which we publish herewith.—W. O. W.)

Since you published your notes in your issue of Nov. 2nd, the armistice has been signed and inquiries are coming by every mail to China, principally from the big Swiss and some Scandinavian dealers, for far-eastern stamps. These dealers, along with certain American dealers, cannot understand why they must now pay considerably more for stamps from the Chinese dealer. It is not that the native dealers' local prices have advanced much but that they ask higher prices in gold currency, so that when they receive remittances, and these are converted into silver currency, they will obtain amounts proportionate to those which rule locally.

It is useless for buyers in America and Europe to wail in the hope that later on exchange rates between gold-using countries and silver ditto will come down; silver will remain high for many years, and in the meantime those dealers who delay replenishing their stocks of far-eastern stamps will find that when they decide to buy quantities direct from the Far East not only have the local prices considerably advanced, but on top of this they will still be up against the high exchange rates. Such stamps as Kiachou, German China, obsolete Chinese (in quantities) and the foreign offices in China are at present offered at very attractive prices. These prices cannot remain at their present low levels much longer, but will soon move up to the true values of the stamps.

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SCH.—An abbreviation for schilling shown on many of the stamps of the German states.

SCHILLING.—The value in which many of the stamps of the German states are expressed. In Mecklenburg there were 48 schilling in the thaler, which equalled about 75c, while in the other states 16 schilling were equal to a mark, which had a value of about 24c in American money.

SCHLESWIG.—A province of Prussia which formerly belonged to Denmark. It issued its own stamps in 1865, but in 1868 these were superseded by the set for the North German Confederation.

SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN. — These erstwhile Danish duchies issued stamps for their combined use during the revolution of 1850 and also while under the protection of Austria and Prussia. Later, when they were incorporated with Prussia, each duchy issued its own stamps. (See also "Holstein" and "Schleswig".)

SCHWAREN.—The value shown upon one of the stamps of Oldenburg. A schwaren was the twelfth part of a silbergroschen and was, therefore, equal to about one-sixth of a cent in American money.

SCHWEIZER RENECKE. — A small village in the Transvaal about 100 miles north-east of Kimberly, which was besieged by the Boers at various times between August 19th, 1900, and Jan. 9th, 1901. The British garrison and few inhabitants kept in touch with the outside world by forwarding letters by native runners. These were franked indiscriminately with ½d and 1d Cape Colony stamps and ½d, 1d, 2d and 6d Transvaal stamps, all of which were handstamped with the word BESIEGED. This overprint, however, gives them no special status as an issue of provisional war stamps and they are merely interesting mementoes of the siege.

SCINDE.—A province of the Bombay Presidency, India. In 1852 when Sir Bartle Frere was Comissioner of this District he issued some ½ anna stamps, these being the first postage stamps used in India. They were suppressed in October, 1854, when the general issue for British India made its appearance.

SCINDE DISTRICT DAWK.—The inscription shown upon the stamps of Scinde.

SCRIPT TYPE.—Printers' type in imitation of handwriting which is sometimes used for surcharging stamps.

SCUTARI DI ALBANIA.—An overprint applied to certain Italian stamps intended for use at the office established in Scutari, Albania.

SCUDO.—The unit of value in Romagna and the Roman states. The scudo was divided into 100 bajocchi and was equal to about a dollar in American money.

S. D. — These letters, signifying "Stamp Duty" are found overprinted on certain Hong Kong stamps. These stamps were evidently intended for some fiscal purpose, but they were freely used for postage at one time.

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SEID EINIG-EINIG-EINIG! — The motto shown on the German 2 marks stamps of 1900 and 1902 meaning "Be United, United, United".

SELANGOR.—A state of the Malay Peninsula which has been under British protection since 1874. Postage stamps were first issued in 1878, but since 1900 the special stamps have been superseded by the general issue for the Federated Malay States.

(To be continued.)

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—We have a letter at this office for A. M. Doig and shall be pleased to receive his address.

—E. H. Gammans, the well-known New York dealer, is temporarily located in Springfield, Mass. He is now able to resume his interest in stamps and will be heard from regularly in the future through our columns. The fraternity of dealers will be interested in knowing that Mr. Gammans is now a Benedict. He writes us that he has recently acquired Mexico No. 582 inverted used. He claims that it would be difficult to duplicate this stamp.

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—A. H. Schumacher has made an interesting find in connection with the Confederate Independence, Texas Local. He establishes the fact that this stamp exists on grayish paper, where Scott's catalog lists it only on buff paper.

—We are indebted to Peter A. Brannon for the information that an aero mail between Macon and Montgomery, Ga., both ways was effective May 3 to May 10 in connection with the Southeast Aeronautical Congress held in Macon, Ga., at that time. We have tangible evidence that the service was installed, but do not know the success attained as a daily service. While aeroplane cancellations of a special character are now prohibited, the cancelling marks on mail through these two cities proved conclusively that letters were carried part of the distance by an aerial route. 6c postage was required.

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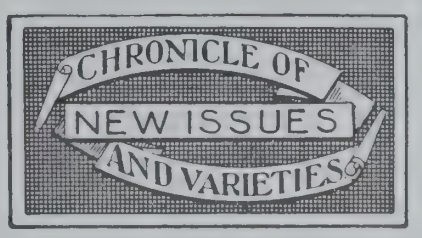

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

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UNITED STATES.—Mr. A. S. Davenport advised us a few weeks ago that he was confidentially informed that a series of Proprietary stamps would make their appearance on May 1st, in order that tax on proprietary articles might be paid in accordance with the recent revenue act. Mr. George Soulman is the first to show us specimens of these stamps, he sending us the 1c and 2c values.

The stamps are printed in dark blue on paper watermarked double line U. S. I. R., and are perforated 11. They are the same size as the Victory stamps, are produced by the "offset" method, and are issued in sheets of one hundred subjects. As for design, we have a large colored figure in the center surrounded by a white background, this background forming a circle flattened at the bottom. At the top we find in two horizontal lines stretching the entire width of the stamp, in white letters, PROPRIETARY —U. S. INTERNAL REVENUE. At the bottom CENTS scrolls and frame lines make up the balance of the design.

In the margins we find at the bottom 1 CENT PROPRIETARY. PLATE 3408 stretched under four stamps. The 2c block shown us is from plate 3459 and the wording stretches under three stamps only.

We understand the series consists of the 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c, 5c, 8c, 10c, 20c and 40c, all in blue.

We also desire to thank Mr. Frank Hadley and George C. Rockfellow for early information on the subject.

Mr. B. K. Miller writes to inform us that he has obtained the lower and left plate blocks from sheet 9993. It will be recalled from our recent list that this is one of the 1600 subject plates. In giving us this information, Mr. Miller mentions that it is quite probable there is a colored cross at the center of the four plates to aid in cutting these larger sheets of 1600 subjects into sheets of four hundred. The next time your editor visits Washington he will make an effort to see a proof sheet from one of these larger plates so that we will know definitely.

Mr. George Soulman kindly submits a pair of the 3c Type IV in what he correctly describes as a "dizzy" print. It is one of the well known so called double prints with a little smudging in addition, and as a result we get a stamp that looks as if the sheet of paper was simply slung at the plate. This same correspondent also sends us blocks of the same stamp with offset on the back, also a very interesting shade of the Type II 3c booklet in a very deep violet.

Mr. Wendell Harman submits a booklet pane of the 3c Type II in the pleasing lavender shade of the rotary coil. On first glance you are almost lead to believe it to be a rotary impression, but close examination as to size, lines, etc., show that it is not. It may be of interest to mention here that a recent letter from the Bureau informs us that to date only coil stamps have been printed from the rotary press—I refer to postage stamps only, of course, for we know a number of tax paids have been printed in this manner.

Mr. Frederick Peck writes to inform us that the odd magenta shade of the 3c Victory stamp which we described in our Chronicle of April 19th was located by him in Glens Falls, New York. He also states that a sheet of a similar but darker shade was also located at the same post office. Mr. Karl Koslowski located some in Detroit from plate 9416 and states they were purchased early in March.

We wish to thank Rev. Clarence C. Silvester, and Messrs. Geo. E. Foster and G. P. Kettlewell for additional notes.

AITUTAKI.—Mr. J. H. Smyth has shown us the current 1½d orange stamp of New Zealand, surcharged "AITUTAKI" in red.

AUSTRALIA.—We have been shown some specimens of stamps cut from 1½d wrappers with the letters OS printed (not punctured) in the upper corners of the stamp, and used for ordinary official postal services. We cannot say whether this custom is authorised or permitted by the Department, but the stamp itself was a novelty to us.—*Aust. Phil. Record.*

BOLIVIA.—*Revista Filatelica* chronicles and illustrates a new series for this republic, but fails to state whether the stamps are lithographed or engraved,

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Commended—Mr. A. H. Pike, Buffalo, New York, who is devoting much time and effort to promoting an index of philatelic literature, writes to favor the formation of the proposed society of collectors of philatelic literature. He writes: "My idea would be to make it a wide-open society to every honest collector who appreciates the literature enough to subscribe to a representative number of stamp papers and who thinks enough of them to keep them in an orderly manner so that he can refer to them. There is a wonderful field for an organization of this kind. It could be a great help in educating even the old-timers as well as beginners and it would at least help to preserve the literature." Mr. Elwood Banks says: "Count on my support for the literature society that you are thinking of starting. I have disposed of about all my stamp papers, but have kept some of the earlier prints and curiosities, as I call them. My reason for this step is due to lack of room, as, having retired from business, I live at an apartment hotel and have no house space. I think it advisable to rescue what facts we can, particularly of the earlier productions in this country." Another correspondent suggests that we "do not try to force the issue" even though the movement has his support, as he thinks that unless the society fills a want, it will not flourish. However, he will be glad to co-operate with the organizers, if once the step is taken to start operations.

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Costly—Mr. Lowell J. Ragatz, Madison, Wisconsin, in pressing his literary search, has uncovered another bit of postal lore which he adds to the series of fragments: "Sir John Bourinot, in his book, Canada, 1760-1900 (chapter 9, page 179) says: 'In 1838.....the people could hardly afford to pay the postage rates on letters. The poor settlers were often unable to pay the 3sh, 4sh, or even more, imposed on their letters from homes across the seas, and it was not unusual to find in country post offices a large accumulation of dead letters, refused or neglected on account of the expense. The management of the post offices by imperial officers was one of the grievances of the people of the provinces generally. They were carried on for the benefit of a few persons and not for the convenience or solace of the many thousands who were anxious for news of their kin across the ocean.' While the author here speaks of conditions before the union of Upper and Lower Canada, it may be added that the same conditions prevailed even some years after that event, in the territory concerned, while in the maritime provinces it was not until the formation of the Dominion in 1867 that the postal service was treated as a vital factor in the life of the people."

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Changed—From Brigadier General H. H. Bandholtz, American Expeditionary Forces, we have received particulars of an "error" in the booklets sent abroad: "You probably are aware of the fact that the government sent over to the American Expeditionary Forces some booklets of stamps for special use here. Only the one cent and two cent denominations were issued and each book contained 10 pages of thirty stamps to a page, making a total of three hundred stamps to the book. Each page or leaf consisted of three horizontal rows of 10 each. These books now are all practically out of existence and although I have picked up a very few of the one cent stamps, I have not been able to locate any of the two cent books. Apparently, in putting some of the booklets together an error was made in at least one box of a hundred books; and they were bound together so that they open from left to right, instead of the regular form, from right to left. The cover of each book is labeled: '300-One-Cent Stamps-$3.' I understand that these books were bound together in this shape so that they would fit in official envelopes and thereby be easily carried by motorcycle and other couriers for distribution." Many of us have become aware of the fact that the overseas booklets have become scarce and General Bandholtz' recital has its interest.

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Coming—Again we have heard from Pvt. Earl Harlow, who has been in France so long, to the effect that he expects to come home in June; and we believe him when he says: "I have seen quite a bit of service and all of it with the 28th Keystone Division." Our correspondent says that he has met a number of Tommies who are confirmed collectors, and he adds that he has come in contact with two members of the American Philatelic Society and one of the Society of Philatelic Americans. Private Harlow says that he has added some good covers and single specimens to his store of stamps.

Confided — A candid correspondent writes: "I am afraid that I have a secret satisfaction in attending to the small details of the covers that I gather in my quest for things for my collection. For instance, the intimate note that sometimes was sounded by the sender of the letter to the postmaster, on the face of the cover hits my fancy. The simple, 'Postmaster will please forward this if Mr. S.—should not be in—', on a letter sent in 1819 gives me pause for a few moments of speculation as to the times, when, after all, people seemed to be nearer one another than at present. Then, the inscription, 'A Woman of Color,' after the name of a colored Mammy on an envelope sent in 1850 by a kindly master, catches my thoughts and I start on a trip of rumination that beats the travelogue all hollow, so far as I am concerned. I do not need the distractions of the movies to start a riot of imagination; just a little something out of the ordinary on a cover, inside or out, gives me a feeling akin to pleasure. As for the written letters, I delve into them sympathetically rather than flippantly; and in extenuation for my prying propensity, let me say that I have had at times an insight into conditions in the early half of the last century that was helpful to me in my work, notably in the case of a letter sent in the '40's in which the 'plague' and its ravages were eloquently, if crudely, depicted, as I fitted it into an article that I was preparing at the time." The doctor who writes certainly is a busy man, but stamps well repay him for the time he gives them.

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PANAMA AND ITS POSTAGE STAMPS.

By FREDERICK E. HEYDON.

CHAPTER X.

Fourth Panama Issue, 1904 to 1906.

This issue is a great improvement on its predecessor as regards freedom from errors and general neatness of the surcharge, but several printings were required of the more frequently used values. A few additional errors occurred in the type-set surcharge, and the ink used shows wide variations. The double, inverted and diagonal surcharges are so numerous that it seems as if they could have been avoided as the defective sheets were never actually sold to the public. So far as I am aware, they are never found used. It is only fair to assume that the sheets in question were disposed of by persons in the Panamanian postal service to speculators, and that these varieties are to be classed as speculative.

The Fourth Panama Issue appeared in January, 1904, and continued in use until 1906. Its use was supplemented at times by the 3rd Panama Issue, which as stated, was held back and only used to fill out temporary shortages, and later by surcharging the remainders on hand of the three higher values of previous issues. Originally its use seems to have been confined to the City of Panama, but was gradually extended until it was in general use throughout the republic.

Its general characteristics may be summarized as follows:

The word "Colombia" is, as in the preceding issue, obliterated by a bar across the top of the stamp with PANAMA reading upward at the left side and downward at the right. The entire surcharge is printed in carmine. It is set up to cover fifty stamps, ten horizontal rows of five stamps each. Thus, two impressions, side by side, are required to surcharge the sheet. PANAMA measures 15x2 mm. and there are only a few varieties. In the original printing, one stamp in each fifty has the word reading upward at both sides, another has it reading downward at both sides, a third has a small thick "N", a fourth appears to have an inverted "V" in place of the last "A", and a fifth has the word PANAMA misplaced, being only 2½ mm. below the bar instead of the usual distance of 4 mm. The double surcharges require no explanation, but these also exist horizontally shifted surcharges in which the first or second impression had been printed too far to one side, so that one of the outer vertical rows was without surcharge and either the fifth or sixth vertical row had a double surcharge. As the variety with PANAMA misplaced and that with both words reading upward occupy respectively the fourth and sixth places in the first vertical row of the setting, it is evident that they must be included in the double surcharges, the second surcharge, in each case, being of the normal variety.

I select this example as typical of the combinations which result at times from these misplaced surcharges, but will not include them in my reference list for two reasons, one is that the combinations actually in existence are unknown, and the other that while these errors are very curious and interesting it seems to me unwise to complicate a reference list with such varieties.

The original setting, which occurs in all values, is illustrated herewith.

4TH, PANAMA ISSUE, 1904, 1ST, PRINTING. ALL VALUES.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90
91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100

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*12	1886,	½p green	.15	.10
*13	1886,	1p rose carmine	.15	.10
*15	1886,	2½p ultramarine	.30	.20
*17	1886,	4p brown	.50	.30
*18b	1886,	6p bronze green	1.25	.60
*19	1886,	1sh violet	.75	.50
*29	1902,	1p carmine rose	.20	.12
*30	1902,	2p orange & purple	.30	.20
*33	1902,	4p brown & blue	1.00	.50
*34	1902,	6p green & rose	.60	.40
*38	1902,	2sh 6p purple & brown	2.50	1.50
*40	1904,	½p green	.10	.08
*41	1904,	1p carmine rose	.30	.20
*42	1904,	2p orange & purple	.75	.50
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1916		1917	
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George, Service 4, 6 & 8a	.10
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CHRONICLE.

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and what the perforation is. Design regulation oblong, fancy frame with CORREOS DE BOLIVIA in white sans-serif capitals upon curving ribbon label across top, scroll work at sides, and words of denomination in straight label at bottom, also in white sans-serif capitals on color, circles in each lower corner, placed above the denomination label, contain the numeral of denomination, also in white on color. Frames are the same for all denominations, but the central medallion varies with each.

1c green, Ruins of Thiahuacu.
2c red, Cathedral at Thiahuacu.
5c brown, Ruins of Thiahuacu.
10c violet, Bay Indijena Titicaca.
20c orange, Lake Titicaca.
50c blue, Guaqui and La Paz R. R.
1b carmine, Ruins of Thiahuacu.
2b blue, Port of Guaqui.
5b black, Coat of Arms.
—*American Philatelist.*

BRITISH HONDURAS.—Eric Parche informs us that the supply of the 3c War Tax is exhausted.

CANTON.—Mr. James M. Henry has shown us a further value of the Indo-China stamps surcharged "Canton" in red. This time it is the 5c with the added surcharge of "2 cents" in black. Mr. Henry adds that other values will shortly appear.

CHINA.—Mr. James M. Henry sends us a copy of a notification recently issued by the Chinese Post Office at Canton, China. It is dated March 7th of this year and calls attention to the withdrawal of the 7 and 15 cent denominations and the introduction of 1½ and 13 cent values. The 1½ cent stamp is intended for domestic use on picture post-cards, newspapers, etc., and the 13 cent for express letters.

We quote the following from *Stamp Collecting:*—

On the occasion of the commemoration of the election of Hgu Shih-Chang as President of the Chinese Republic, a distinctive postal obliteration was employed. This obliteration is oval in shape, with five horizontal lines on two sides enclosing a small circle, Chinese inscriptions figuring in the latter and in the oval itself. The central inscription in the oval signifies "Commemoration of the accession of President Hgu Shih-Chang, October 10, 1919"; the smaller inscriptions refer to the name of the post office.

ESTHONIA. — Mr. W. Pugsley has shown us two further values of the interesting set of stamps for this Russian independent state—viz., 35k pale brown and 70k olive green.—*Stamp Collecting.*

GREAT BRITAIN.—Mr. R. Roberts has shown us specimens of the new printings of the 2s 6d, 5s and 10s stamps, engraved and produced by Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co., London. They are very fine specimens of up to date engraving. A minute dot in the middle of each stamp, at the top just above the frame line, is noticeable on each value, and the whole frame itself is slightly larger than the previous printings by Messrs. De La Rue, and Waterlows, and, although the colours do not compare in appearance with the Waterlow issue, especially of the 2s 6d and 10s values, no doubt they are more serviceable and show up the obliteration better. Many months ago we announced that no further printings would take place of the 8d stamp. According to reports, the 7d value is also being withdrawn.—*Stamp Collecting.*

HONDURAS.—We are informed by Eric Parche that No. 183 Official stamp with CORRIENTES surcharge has been found inverted. He writes that a sheet of this stamp turned up at one of the local post offices and that he secured a half of the sheet.

JAPAN.—We are informed by Mr. Tadayasu Maki that it has been announced that a series of Victory stamps is in preparation by the Department of Communication. Details are lacking, but information is expected at an early date. The same correspondent advises of a "new issue for Coronation and Nomination." Possibly a new commemorative is soon to appear.

LICHTENSTEIN. (1918.) Design same as 1917 issue with portrait of Prince Johann II. Wove paper without watermark, perforated 12½:—20 heller deep blue green.

(1918.) Commemorative. Design same as above, but with the dates 1858 and 1918 in the upper left and right corners, respectively, in white numerals:—20 heller deep blue green.—*American Philatelist.*

MACAO.—Mr. James M. Henry advises us that the 8a (Scott's No. 196a) and also the 16a, Scott's No. 199) are absolutely unobtainable at the Post Office and that they are selling there No. 212 and No. 210 the 16a and 8a of the Vasco de Gama series, surcharged "Republica" instead.

NIUE.—Mr. J. H. Smyth has shown us the 1½d orange stamp of New Zealand surcharged NIUE in red.

PAPUA.—Mr. J. H. Smyth and Frank P. Brown Co. have shown us a new ½d stamp recently issued for this colony. The stamp is bi-colored and is of yellow green with a centre of dark green. The paper is Crown and Single-lined A sideways.

PENRHYN ISLAND.—Mr. J. H. Smyth has submitted for our inspection a copy of the 1½d orange New Zealand stamp surcharged PENRHYN ISLAND in red.

POLAND.—Provisional Issue, according to *Locher's Bulletin,* German stamps overprinted in black Gothic type, Gen.-Gouv.—Warschau, in two lines, with the original overprint, as well as Deutsches Reich, obliterated by horizontal lines, and re-overprinted, in one line of black type, Poczta Polska. As there is no mention of denomination other than the numerals on the stamps, we presume they were issued as fen and so list them.

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5 fen on 3 pfennig brown.
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25 fen on 7½ pfennig orange.
30 fen orange & black on buff.
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100. 1c green, surch. carmine, narrow bar about 4 mm. above PANAMA, except where noted. (First and second printings.)
*a. PANAMA upward both sides (51 & 56).
*b. PANAMA downward both sides (83 and 88).
c. PANAMA left about 2½ mm. below bar (31 and 36).
*d. N right thick and heavy (33 and 38).
e. PANAMA, Inverted V at right (85 and 90).
f. Double surcharge.
g. Double surcharge, one inverted.
h. Shifted surch., PANAMA once.
i. Shifted surch., PANAMA twice, same side.
j. Shifted surch., PANAMA twice on one side and once on the other.
k. Inv. surch. bar at bottom.
* First printing only.

101. 1c green, surcharged carmine, narrow bar, 3 mm. above PANAMA (Third printing.)
a. PANAAM right (41 and 46).
b. PANAMA right 5 mm. below bar (15 and 20).
c. Thick and heavy N right (21 and 26).
d. Second A left almost missing (3 & 8).
e. Shifted surch. PANAMA once.
f. Shifted surch. PANAMA twice on same side.
g. Shifted surch. PANAMA twice on one side and once on the other.

102. 1c green, surcharged brown-red, wide bar 2½ to 3½ mm. above PANAMA, except 10th row. (Fourth printing.)
a. PANAMA inv'ted M at right (24&29).
b. PANAMA at left 16 mm. (25 and 30).
c. PANAMA 1½ mm. below bar (91-100).
d. Shifted surch. PANAMA once only.
e. Shifted surch. PANAMA twice same side.
f. Shifted surch. PANAMA twice one side and once on the other.

103. 2c rose, surcharged carmine, narrow bar about 4 mm. above PANAMA. (First printing).
a. PANAMA upward both sides (51 & 56).
b. PANAMA downward both sides (83 & 88).
c. PANAMA left 2½ mm. below bar (31 and 36).
d. N at right thick and heavy (33 and 38).
e. PANAMA inv'ted V at right (85 & 90).
f. Double surch.
g. Double surch., one inverted.
h. Shifted surch., bar at bottom.
i. Shifted surch., bar top and bottom.

104. 2c rose, surcharged carmine, narrow bar 3 mm. above PANAMA. (Second printing.)
a. PANAAM at right (41 and 46).
b. PANAMA at right 5 mm. below bar (15 and 20).
c. Broad and heavy N at right (21 & 26).
d. Second A left almost missing (3 & 8).

105. 2c rose, surcharged vermilion, wide bar 2¾ to 3½ mm. above PANAMA. (Third printing.)
a. PANAMA inv'ted M at right (24 & 29).
b. PANAMA at left 16 mm. (25 and 30).
c. PANAMA only 1½ mm. below bar (91 to 100).
d. Inverted surcharge, bar at bottom.
e. Shifted surch. PANAMA once only.
f. Shifted surch. PANAMA twice same side.
g. Shifted surch. PANAMA twice one side and once on the other.

106. 2c rose, surcharged dark carmine, wide bar 2¾ to 3½ mm. above PANAMA. (Fourth printing.)
a. PANAMA inv'd M at right (24 & 29).
b. PANAMA at right 16 mm. instead of 15 mm. long (25 and 30).
c. PANAMA only 1½ mm. below bar (91 to 100).
d. Horizontal pair, left without surch. (10 known).
e. Shifted surch. PANAMA once only.
f. Shifted surch. PANAMA twice same side.
g. Shifted surcharge PANAMA twice on one side and once on the other.

107. 5c blue, surcharged carmine, narrow bar 4 mm. above PANAMA. (First printing.)
a. PANAMA upwards both sides (51 and 56).
b. PANAMA downwards both sides (83 and 88).
c. PANAMA at left about 2½ mm. below bar (31 and 36).
d. N at right thick and heavy (33 & 38).
e. PANAMA inverted V (85 and 90).
f. Shifted surcharge PANAMA once only.
g. Shifted surcharge PANAMA twice on same side.
h. Shifted surcharge PANAMA twice one side and once on the other.
i. Shifted surcharge, bar at bottom.
j. Shifted surcharge, bar missing.

108. 5c blue, surcharged carmine, narrow bar 3½ mm. above PANAMA, heavy blurred impression. (Second printing.)
a. PANAMA right 2 mm. below bar.
b. Colon between PANAMA and bar at right.
c. Double surcharge.
d. Inverted surcharge, bar at bottom.

109. 5c blue, surcharged carmine, narrow bar 3 mm. above PANAMA. (Third printing.)
a. ANAMA—Bottom row except 92 and 97 on some sheets.
b. PANAM—Nos. 92 and 97 on some sheets.
c. PANAMA at right 5 mm. below bar (15 and 20).
d. PANAAM (41 and 46 on some sheets).
e. PANAMA (15 and 20 on some sheets).
f. PANAMA (15 and 20 on some sheets).
g. Tall thin M at left (Nos. 41 & 46).
h. Shifted surch. PANAMA once.
i. Shifted surch. PANAMA twice same side.
j. Shifted surch. PANAMA twice on one side and once on the other.
k. Inverted surch. bar at bottom.

110. 5c blue, bright carmine-rose surcharge, wide bar 2 to 3 mm. above PANAMA. (Fourth printing.)
a. PANAMA, inv'd M at right (24 & 29).
b. PANAMA at right 16 mm. instead of 15 mm. long (25 and 30).
c. PANAMA only 1½ mm. below bar (91 to 100).

111. 5c blue, surcharged dull vermilion, wide bar 2 to 3 mm. above PANAMA, very clear impression. (Fifth printing.)
a. PAMANA at right (95 and 100).
b. PANAMA, inv'd M at right (24 & 29).
c. PANAMA at left 16 mm. (25 and 30).
d. PANAMA only 1½ mm. below bar (91 to 100).
e. Surcharge inverted; bar at bottom.
f. Same with PAMANA.
g. Surcharge inverted, bar top & bottom.
h. Same with PAMANA.
i. Surcharge inverted, bar top and bottom, PANAMA double.
j. Same with PAMANA.

112. 5c blue, surcharged vermilion, wide bar 2¾ to 3½ mm. above PANAMA, heavy blurred impression. (Sixth printing.)
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b. PANAMA at left 16 mm. instead of

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d. Double surcharge.
e. Double surcharge, one diagonal and one horizontally shifted.

113. 5c blue, surcharged dark carmine, wide bar 2½ mm. above PANAMA. Seventh printing.)
a. PAMANA at left (54 and 59).
b. Double surcharge, one inverted.
c. Inverted surcharge, bar at bottom.
d. Same with PAMANA.
e. Pair, left without surch. (10 known).
f. Shifted surch. PANAMA once.
g. Shifted surch., PANAMA twice on same side.
h. Shifted surch. PANAMA twice on one side, once on the other.

114. 5c blue, surcharged carmine-vermilion, wide bar 2½ mm. above PANAMA. (Eighth printing.)
a. PAMANA.
b. Bar 4 mm. above PANAMA (Nos. 11 to 20).
c. Double surcharge, normal and b.

115. 5c blue, surcharged pink, narrow bar, 3 mm. above PANAMA. (Ninth printing). Aug., 1906.
a. PANANA at left.
b. PA NAMA at right 17 mm. long and spaced as shown (5 and 10).
c. PANA MA at right, 17 mm. long and spaced as shown (95 and 100).
d. Double surcharge.

116. 10c yellow, surcharged carmine, narrow bar 4 mm. above PANAMA. (First and second printings.)
*a. PANAMA upward both sides (51 & 56).
*b. PANAMA downward both sides (83 and 88).
*c. PANAMA at left 2½ mm. below bar (31 and 36).
*d. N at right thick and heavy (33 and 38).
e. PANAMA, inverted V at right (85 and 90).
f. Double surcharge.
g. Inverted surcharge, bar at bottom.
h. Diagonal surcharge.
* This error was corrected in 2nd printing.

117. 10c yellow, surcharged carmine, narrow bar 3½ mm. above PANAMA. (Third printing.)
a. PANAMA 5 mm. below bar at left (41 and 46).

118. 10c yellow, surcharged rose-brown, narrow bar 3½ mm. above PANAMA. (Fourth printing.)
a. Inverted surcharge.
b. Shifted surch. PANAMA once only.
c. Shifted surch. PANAMA twice on same side.
d. Shifted surch. PANAMA twice on one side, once on the other.

119. 10c yellow, surcharged orange or orange-red, wide bar 2¾ to 3½ mm. above PANAMA. (Fifth printing.) April, 1905.
a. PAMANA at right (95 and 100).
b. PANAMA, inv'd M at right (24 & 29).
c. PANAMA at left 16 mm. (25 and 30).
d. A at left touches bar above (91 & 96).
e. PANAMA only 1½ mm. below bar (91 to 100).
f. Double surcharge. (Only 50 printed.)

120. 10c yellow, surcharged carmine, wide bar 2¾ mm. above PANAMA heavily inked. (Sixth printing.) Oct., 1905.
a. PANAMA, inv'd M at right (95& 100).
b. PANAMA at left 16 mm. (25 and 30).
c. A at left touches bar above (91 & 96).
d. PANAMA only 1½ mm. below bar (91 to 100).

121. 10c yellow, surcharged dark carmine-red, wide bar 2½ mm. above PANAMA. (Seventh printing.) February, 1906.
a. PAMANA (54 and 59 but not on all sheets).
b. Double surcharge.
c. Inverted surcharge, bar at bottom.
d. Pair, one without surcharge.
e. Pair, one with double surcharge.
f. Pair, one with inverted surcharge.

122. 20c violet, surcharged carmine, narrow bar 4 mm. above PANAMA. (First and second printings.)
a. PANAMA upward both sides (51 & 56).
b. PANAMA downward both sides (83 and 88).
c. PANAMA at left about 2½ mm. below bar (31 and 36).
*d. N at right thick and heavy (33 & 38).
e. PANAMA, inverted V at right (85 and 90).
* Corrected in second printing.

123. 50c bistre brown, surcharged carmine, narrow bar 4 mm. above PANAMA.*
a. PANAMA upward both sides (51 & 56).
b. PANAMA downward both sides (83 and 88).
c. PANAMA at left about 2½ mm. below bar (31 and 36).
d. N at right thick and heavy (33 and 38).
e. PANAMA, inverted V at right (85 and 90).

* Two printings of the 50c, one with bar 3 mm., the other 2½ mm. above PANAMA, were made for the CANAL ZONE 8c surcharge, but they are unknown as Panama stamps. The error PAMANA appears on the 54th and 59th stamps of the last printing.

One sheet of the 3 mm. variety surcharged 8 cts., but with CANAL ZONE omitted, was sent to Europe.

124. 1 peso lake, surcharged carmine, narrow bar 4 mm. above PANAMA.
a. PANAMA upward both sides (51 & 56).
b. PANAMA downward both sides (83 and 88).
c. PANAMA at left about 2½ mm. below bar (31 and 36).
d. N at right thick and heavy (33 and 38).
e. PANAMA, inverted V at right (85 and 90).
f. Double surcharge.
g. Double surcharge, one inverted.
h. Double surcharge, one diagonal.
i. Vertical pair, upper stamp, bar only.
j. Shifted surcharge, PANAMA once only.
k. Shifted surcharge, PANAMA twice on same side of stamp.
l. Shifted surcharge, PANAMA twice on one side, once on the other.

When the first and second printings are listed together, they are so nearly identical that they can only be positively identified in the sheet or in large blocks containing the numbers which showed errors in the original impressions but were corrected in the second printing.

As the stamps of this issue are fairly common, particularly the lower values, there is an opportunity for making a tolerably complete exhibit, and it would be well to include some of the more interesting cancellations, a few of which are shown herewith:—

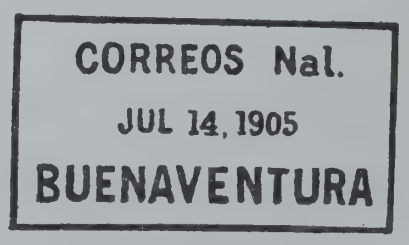
a. and b. Town cancellations.
c. and d. Steamship cancellations.
e. Clock cancellation.
f. Flag cancellation.
g. Grill cancellation.

The town cancellations are common and as a rule conform to the types shown, while the others, particularly the steamship cancellations are comparatively rare.

Fourth Panama Issue Used in Cauca.

I have in my collection a pair of 5c stamps used at Buenaventura the postmark cancellation of which is illustrated below. It is certainly a very interesting specimen, and I cannot explain its use so long after the separation of Panama from Colombia. Should any one possess copies I would like to hear from him; as the question of whether the use of Panama stamps continued to be general in Cauca after the secession, or was confined to a particular locality, is of considerable interest. No conclusions can be drawn from a single example without some more definite information.

109.....5c blue, surch. carmine (3d printing).



The date appears to be July 14, 1905, but the second figure of the day is doubtful as the impression is faint. I have reproduced it as exactly as possible.

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—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from A. W. Blackman, D. C. Alexander and Rev. Louis Voss.

—Lon F. McQuitty is unable to secure any replies to letters sent William S. Ledbetter, Pyatt, Ark. Are there others similarly situated? If so, write this office. Letters addressed Leon Barri, Jr., El Paso, Tex., remain unanswered.

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The war has given the greatest impetus to our hobby that it has ever received. My prognostication is that the Armistice and the Peace will carry the boom to a zenith beyond all the expectations of the most optimistic dealers and collectors.

I was never one of those who, when the first dread sounds of war echoed throughout Europe, gave vent to gloomy forebodings, or took "funk" at the possible diastrous effects of a great war upon Philately. War, and the ravages of war, have been grave and terrible; there was a good deal of sympathy at the outset with the idea that to philatelise in such critical times was akin to Nero fiddling while Rome was burning. But a hundred and one circumstances of war conditions combined to show us that Philately, never out of place in times of Peace, was no less valuable a factor in our lives during war time. It was a solace to the war-worn nerves of both soldier and civilian. It was a comfort to many a khaki boy in camp and in billet, and even in the dug-out. It helped to ease the nerves of the jaded City man, pursuing his business under extremely trying circumstances of shortened staffs, disorganised traffic, and deranged markets.

It also provided a channel into which much of the abnormal wealth of the war workers has been invested to the financial and recreative advantage of the investor. Hundreds, nay, thousands, of new collectors have been introduced to our delightful hobby during the war as a means of quiet, recreative, enjoyment of restricted evenings at home, and as a profitable outlet for surplus funds, which are as safe in stamps as in the bank.

But just as there were those who thought at the start of the war that "the bottom would be knocked clean out of the stamp market", there are those today who think with the present increased popularity of stamp collecting, and the present great advance on pre-war prices for scarce stamps, that we have reached the limit.

This is as great a mistake as the first. Philately has flourished for sixty years, and will flourish as long as there are adhesive postage stamps to collect. There will be ups and downs in its progress, but, at any rate, for the next decade, I foresee we shall be riding on a great wave of prosperity in stamps—a prosperity that will reach both collectors and dealers.

The world will be letting off steam. One-half will jazz or foxtrot, and the other half will take their relaxation along quieter lines; most likely those who do not dance will—stamp!

The war has packed an abundance of new interest into stamp-collecting. It has opened up new vistas of historical and geographical interest, new lines for specialisation, and before things are settled again, it will have played "General Post" with our stamp albums, as with our geography books.

It has opened up a wonderful prospect of a complete revolution in the transport of mails by air; the air-line of the future will be a limitless bridge spanning the Atlantic and the vast Pacific—it will score one against Father Time.

All this added interest in the stamps of our times is bound to keep up the influx of new devotees of our hobby; it is no less sure to strengthen the fascination the hobby has upon all of us who have been collecting for years.

Therefore, I say, the "boom" is rising gradually to a pitch undreamed of by most collectors, and all but the "wildest" dealers.

It will not be limited, that is to say, to British Colonial issues, or to early issues of the United States. It will reach to the countries that have been philatelically neglected; many collectors will find the popular lines getting out of their reach, and so will turn to the less popular countries, and each and every phase of philatelic study will get its turn.

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We shall open new pages in our albums for a score of new states which have developed out of the war, out of the broken empires of Russia, Germany, Austria and Turkey. I have already started my collections of Lettland, Lithuania, Esthonia, Ukraine, Poland Redeemed, Finland, Bohemia (Czecho-Slovakia), Croatia (Jugo-Slavia), and incidentally, although they are ex-Europe, Mosul and Iraq, Hedjaz and Palestine.

They will be pages of immortal memory to me, as to all who have lived through the greatest war in history, and lived through it on the side of the Allies, on the side of Right, and on the side of Victory.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—We have received from Wm. T. Kimball a copy of the P. O. D. circular describing the new Shanghai overprint on U. S. stamps. Mr. Kimball also sends us drawings of two army postmarks that appear to be new. One has the marking "Third Army—April 15, 19—A. P. O. 729" while the other has in addition to the date the inscription "U. S. Naval Forces, Brest Branch—Registered." The Brest postmark is self-explanatory, while the first described is a post-office of the Army of Occupation located in Germany across the Rhine near Coblenz. Mr. Kimball writes:—"This cover has an added interest in that it bears a U. S. 3c Victory stamp."

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—Who can give us the address of J. C. Matthews, formerly 825 10th Ave., Seattle, Wash.? Can one of our Seattle subscribers give us the desired information? There's a reason for asking this.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from C. C. Donaldson, Rev. Louis Voss, W. F. Ferguson, Wm. T. Kimball, J. Rausch, M. T. Mauch.

—Geo. C. Rockfellow, Plainfield, N. J., can get no returns from letters sent Wm. Fabick, Route 4, Olympia, Wash. Dealers please take notice.

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SELLO POSTAL.—These words, meaning "postage stamp", are shown on the stamps of Spain issued in 1900-02.

SELLO PROVISORIO.—This inscription forms part of the type-set 2r label issued in Cundinamarca in 1883 and means "provisional stamp."

SELLO PROVISORIO PARA REGISTRO.—(Provisional stamp for registration).—Shown on the first registration stamp for Cundinamarca.

SELLOS DE CORREOS RESENA HISTORICO.—The inscription shown on the private stamp issued by Senor A. F. Duro in Spain in 1881. The Spanish Government permitted him to use this stamp for franking his work, "Resena Historico-Descriptiva de los sellos de Correo de Espana," which it was considered was a work of public utility.

SEN.—The value expressed on many Japanese stamps. A sen is the hundredth part of a yen and is worth about ½c in American money.

SENEGAL.—A French protectorate in West Africa formed of various towns and strips of territory on both sides of the Senegal River. Postage stamps were first issued in 1887.

SENEGAMBIA AND NIGER.—A vast territory subject to France on the west coast of Africa. It includes the former protectorate of Senegal and the wide stretch of country from the southern limits of Algeria to Nigeria. Postage stamps for use in those parts of the territory not included in Senegal were issued in 1903, but a year later the colony was reorganised and named Upper Senegal and Niger. A set of stamps bearing the new name did not appear until 1906.

SEPARATION. — (See Perforation and Rouletting.

SERIE COMMEMORATIVA.—(Commemorative series.) — Shown on the 1902 stamps for the Dominican Republic which were issued to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the founding of San Domingo.

SERIF.—(See Sans-serif type.)

SERBIA.—A kingdom of the Balkan Peninsula. Postage stamps were first issued on April 18th, 1866.

SERBIEN.—An overprint applied to certain stamps of Austria and Bosnia said to have been used in those parts of Serbia outraged by the presence of Teutonic troops.

SERPENTINE ROULETTE.—A roulette formed of wavy cuts with small breaks between the curves. The 1860-71 stamps of Finland furnish excellent examples of this style of roulette.

SERRATED PERFORATION. — A form of rouletting in which the cuts are curved, and the edges show little hollows or scallops. More usually known by the French term "Percé en arc."

SERVIA.—The Balkan kingdom now more usually known as Serbia.

SERVICE.—An overprint found on many of the stamps of India intended for official use.

SERVICIO INTERNO. — (Internal Service.)—An overprint found on certain stamps of Guatemala used for official purposes on correspondence to points within the borders of the republic.

SERVICIO POSTAL. — An inscription found on many of the stamps of Honduras which means "Postal service".

SERVICIO POSTAL MEXICANO.—(Mexican postal service.) — This inscription appears on all the stamps of Mexico issued between 1886 and 1895.

SERVICE POSTAGE.—An overprint found upon certain revenue stamps of India converting them into postage stamps for official use.

SERVICO POSTAL.—(Postal Service).—An inscription appearing on the stamps of Portuguese India issued between 1871 and 1877.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Stirred—We receive letters from readers that show a wide divergence of views on subjects of general philatelic interest; and occasionally, there comes a communication that presents a new question or a new angle to an old one in so convincing and spirited a manner that we cannot ignore it, even though its findings do not coincide with accepted notions. A letter has been sent us by a collector, who is, we know, not a critic from choice but because he feels that it is his duty to speak out, and then, constructively and not destructively. We do not undertake to quote the letter in its entirety, but we shall draw upon it as fitting: "Cannot something be done to jolt the stamp world into a state of liberality? By this I mean, liberal thinking and liberty in action. In no other line do the smallnesses of men and the petty jealousies of folks run riot as in philately. Cheer is needed, gentlemen, in our pursuit, and if you choke the natural joyousness of the collector by the stifling atmosphere engendered by the bickerings of collectors and the sullen attitude of dealers, you will not encourage the growth of philately among the thinking adults, to put it mildly. We lag behind sadly in methods of propagating goodwill in our circle, in comparison with others of some importance. It is now hopelessly behind the times to slap contemporaries in print merely for the sake of being nasty; for collectors, to belittle the aims of others who collect to suit themselves and for dealers to backcap their rivals. You probably have spoken many times of the fraternity of philately, which, to-day, exists only by grace of imagination. It is your place to shake philatelists into a realization that a broadness of view is one of the first duties of citizenship. Condemn narrowness in school and out and perhaps the heedless ones will become ashamed of themeslves." We grant that improvement is needed in the conditions complained against but we do know that progress is being made towards better things. We know that there is a growing spirit of co-operation among the dealers; that collectors in some cases make it a custom to give away stamps to new collectors and to guide faltering foot-steps; and that the stamp press is not in a state of constant ferment. We believe that our correspondent has a basis for complaint but it is undeniable that there has been a spread of the community feeling in philately recently. Enterprise is lacking in some respects in the shaping of philatelic affairs but it is not to be gainsaid that developments have been seen that mean a change for the better. When the individual collector who feels aloof in some ways, such as meeting his tacit obligation to join societies and support the stamp press, will realize that his example is a deterrent one, he will do much to humanize philatelic existence.

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Stevens—The death of Silas C. Stevens at Chicago, which was recorded in our issue of two weeks ago has taken one of the veteran dealers from the scene of philatelic activity. He passed away at the age of eighty-one years and we contend that he was the oldest dealer actively engaged in business, up to a short time before his death. He devoted as much time to his business as his flagging forces would permit, almost to the end. As a type of stamp dealer, now practically extinct, Mr. Stevens was an interesting example. As a dealer, he directed his attention to local trade exclusively; and while for this reason his name was not a familiar one in the wider world of philately, yet his long affiliation with stamps made him a factor and his death deprives our pursuit of a stalwart figure. Moreover, one is impelled to ponder the changes that the years have made by news of the passing away of one of the veterans of our clan. Primarily, Mr. Stevens was a coin enthusiast and he was inclined to stamps, chiefly through their profitable possibilities. He was not diffident in expressing his preference for coins and sometimes he quaintly voiced a mild astonishment at the length that a philatelic ardor could carry a customer. He was well versed in numismaty but lacking that sentiment for stamps that basically is a requisite for advanced philatelic knowledge, he grasped only the commercial aspect of stamps. He appreciated their selling points but he had no affinity for the bits of paper. Nearly forty years ago, he had a ground-floor location in the same building in which later he had an up-stairs office. The Chicago Philatelic Society was organized in his place but Mr. Stevens would not join because "he had enough of stamps during the day without living them at night." Mr. Stevens' philosophical comment which became mellowed with increasing years, added to the interest of his shrewd, sharp personality; and many a caller at his office during the long span of years during which he flourished will remember him vividly. Mr. Stevens was proud of his civil war record as he had a right to be; and for many years he busied himself in writing a history of his old regiment, the famous Board of Trade regiment of Chicago. He liked encased postage stamps and said that he had compiled an exhaustive list of them; and as an admirer of Lincoln, he collected portraits of Honest Abe, but it was in the realm of coins he pursued his studies with best effect. One of the ties to old-time philately has been severed by the death of S. C. Stevens.

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Sympathy—The death of Charles E. Jenney which was duly reported occasions softened memories in many of us who realized what a fine, brave soul was his. He met physical misfortune courageously and accomplished work that will be a lasting credit to him. His gifts included a literary turn through which philately benefited, and his facile, if not prolific pen, made its impression on the printed annals of our pursuit. His offerings usually carried a meed of instruction and were helpful to philatelic followers. Starting his work for the stamp papers about the time that Guy W. Green, Lewis Benton, Foy F. Greene, Raymond S. Baker, L. G. Quackenbush and others were winning recognition in our periodicals, he kept continuously at his labor of love and survived them all in a philatelic sense.

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Statement—From Mr. Jos. L. Weber, Osborne, Kansas, we have the information: "I noticed in an editorial in the issue of April 5th, 1919, a reference to 'fips' and I can enlighten you on the subject of this old monetary unit. I have handled many 'fips' and I think that I have some in my coin collection in the bank vault in Bethlehem, Pa. The 'fip' was a Spanish coin that was worth 6¼ cents and I often heard salesmen say 'fip' and 'bit' a pound. At the same time, a shilling of the value of 12½ cents was in circulation and two of these or four 'fips' equal twenty-five cents. There was much Spanish and English silver current here at the time."

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Sustained—We have heard from several correspondents in consequence of the observations made in this column recently on the added interest carried by the stamps of the reconstruction period. A dealer writes: 'I am pleased that you called attention to the historical suggestions of the stamps characterizing the adjustment period after the war and in this connection I want to say that an old collector who has been quiescent for a long time and who did not collect even the war stamps was in recently to buy the stamps of the reconstruction era, the thought of which has kindled his imagination to the extent that he is collecting on a large scale again, with special reference to the stamps of the new epoch." We verily believe that a graphic illustration of the working out of the new order of territorial arrangement will be shown by these certain issues.

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THE LOUISIANA MATCH STAMP.

By CHRISTOPHER WEST.

This strikingly handsome match revenue adhesive has always been a prime favorite with young collectors of all ages, and although perfection copies are not particularly easy to find, the stamp has never been rare and specimens in quite respectable condition for match stamps are usually obtainable. It is one of the very few match stamps issued in the South and is also one of the very few printed in brown, the only others in brown being those used by the Bendel concern in San Francisco.

Other curious facts worth noting about the Louisiana stamp are that it appears to be the only match stamp engraved by two separate and distinct bank note companies and that the initial of the proprietor of the die as it appears on the stamp may be an error. The data regarding the stamp given in the Boston Revenue Book is as follows:

Die approved, February 12, 1876.
First issued, March, 1876.
Last issued, 1878.
210 stamps per sheet, (15x14).
2,560,320 issued, all printed by the National Bank Note Co., on silk paper.

"This die was ordered June 29, 1875, by L. Frank, *Agent of the Louisiana Match Manufacturing Co., of New Orleans, La.* The following note appears in Mr. Carpenter's Engraving Order Book: 'Frank's die was not approved by the government during our contract. The framework only was executed and was transferred by us to our successors, the National Bank Note Co.'"

The only reference to any match factory in New Orleans found by the present writer in the directories of that city is in the directory for 1876-'77, which gives,

"Simon Frank, agent Louisiana Match Factory."

The directory for 1878 does not list the match factory and lists Simon Frank as a bookkeeper. No other information regarding the concern or the stamps is now available.

The framework of the design bears the numeral "1" in an ornamental shield in each corner with "ONE—CENT" at the sides, "U.S.INT.REV." above and "L.FRANK" below. Presumably this was all engraved by the Philadelphia firm. The remainder of the design, an oval showing an adult pelican on the nest with four young, surrounded by a band inscribed "LOUISIANA" above and "MATCHES" below, was engraved in New York. The imprint found at the top, bottom and side margins of the sheets reads "Engraved & Printed By The—National Bank Note Co. New York" in two lines on a colored panel and all in the same style as on other plates made from dies entirely engraved by that company.

The pelican design is quite typical of Louisiana and its selection for use on the Louisiana stamp is indeed a happy choice. Louisiana has long been known as the Pelican State and the pelican occupies a prominent position on the state coat of arms. A similar device appears on the Louisiana lottery stamps of 1867. They, however, show five young pelicans instead of the four shown on the match stamp.

Frank's stamp is of the standard 1c size with the long dimension horizontal. Pairs, strips and blocks have existed in rather limited quantities within a few years and these are probably from what few sheets stamp dealers may have purchased from Frank when the stamp was in use. There is no evidence available to show that the stamp was ever used in multiple. One box, one stamp!

CAYMANS ON "TINTED" PAPER.

By HERMANN FOCKE.

I have recently seen advertisements of the ½d War stamp of the Cayman Islands, said to be on buff, flesh, rose, salmon, or some other colored paper, and a fancy price was asked for this "variety." Some people like to or want to be fooled, and I guess a few dimes were spent for this stamp, but what I do not understand is, how any reputable dealer, who ought to know better, can thus try to put one over on the non-suspecting o. f. c.

We full well know that there is no buff or pink paper, used by the Crown Agencies, with multiple Crown and CA watermark, and certainly not for a ha'-penny stamp of any of the Colonies; so what do you think is the cause of the phenomenon? Well, the stamps which I received from Grand Cayman were protected by a porous paper of a salmon-pink color to avoid the stamp sticking together, and the climatic or atmospheric conditions in the Islands, no doubt, transferred some of the dye of this paper to the white paper of the stamps, giving it a buff appearance.

We consequently have a soiled or damaged stamp and not a variety to contend with, the real value of which I leave for someone else to ascertain.

OUR BOOK REVIEW.

Philatelic Advertisers is the most recent handbook. It is published from the office of *Stamp Collecting*, 89 Farringdon St., London, England, and compiled by F. Hugh Vallancey. The price of the book is 25c. The list of advertisers is very complete, one section being devoted to British advertisers and the other to foreign.

In addition, there is a register of dealers who are engaged in auction and other lines of philatelic business. An interesting article on "The Great War and Philately" precedes the formal listing of dealers' addresses. This Directory will prove of value to collectors who would like to do business with dealers in foreign countries.

Important Notice

Mr. B. W. H. Poole begs to inform his numerous friends and clients that on and after May 31st his association with the Franklin Stamp Company will cease. Mr. Poole will be returning to California late in June and until then all mail should be addressed to

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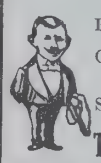

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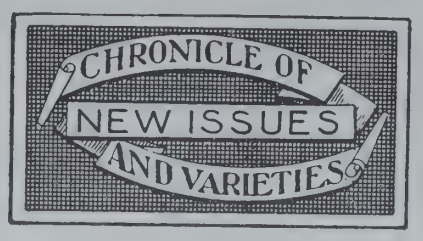
MISTAKE IN MARKS ADVT.

In the issue of May 3 there appeared an advertisement of the Marks Stamp Co. in which 1915 stamps were offered for $3.25. The mistake occurred in the copy submitted by the company. The adv. in question appeared in the WEEKLY about six weeks ago and the number of stamps was given as 1015, and this number should have appeared in the advertisement of May 3. The same packet is again advertised in their regular space on second page of this issue. We feel that any of our subscribers who have ordered this packet of 1915 stamps will understand the situation and the Marks Stamp Co. will undoubtedly do its part in adjusting all remittances.



Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Mr. E. R. Durburow has shown us another exceedingly interesting envelope, this time the 3c in black, printed on amber with return card in the corner. As is well known, the return cards are printed in black at the time that the envelope is embossed in its proper color and evidently, through error, the black ink of the return card in some manner reached the roller that prints the stamp. The envelope in question is from a New York business house and was cancelled April 26, 1919. We do not feel at liberty at this time to mention the name of the firm using the envelope, but we might state that efforts are being made to obtain any available. The envelope manufacturers seem to be having a merry time and are running a close race with the Bureau for honors.

We have mentioned at numerous times the 3c surface print type IV, double print, perforated 11, but Mr. George Soulman is the first to show us a block of this stamp in imperforated condition. The block in question is in a dark purple shade, the double print occurs to the left of the main impression and is, of course, on unwatermarked paper. The same gentleman also sends us an imperforated block of the 3c type IV with offset on the back.

Mr. George C. Rockfellow, as well as Mr. Alfred Hermann, kindly sends us strips of twenty of the 1c surface print from the lower portion of the sheet wherein the horizontal row of perforations between the bottom row of stamps and the margins are missing. These were evidently perforated on the same machine that perforated the 3c type II stamps recently chronicled.

Numerous collectors have written us in regard to the new Proprietary Stamps, a number of them sending us specimens. For this information we wish to thank Messrs. C. M. Breder, J. R. Hammerle, John F. Royer and H. F. Metz. To date, we have only seen the 1c and 2c values but understand that the others will shortly appear if they have not appeared by the time these notes are published.

Our attention has been called by several people to the fact that the 3c sidewise coil stamp is coming in a strongly bluish purple shade, in fact, the blue dominates and the stamp might better be described as purplish blue.

We understand from Mr. E. B. Power that the 4c sidewise coil, printed from the rotary press, perforated 10, has appeared on unwatermarked paper. This leaves but one denomination as yet unknown on the unwatermarked paper, namely the 5c blue.

Mr. R. W. Boisselier kindly sends for our inspection blocks of the 3c Victory stamps from plate No. 9426 showing a very dry impression. In other words, the stamps almost appear blurred. These varieties show a slight offset on the back.

It will come as a surprise to our readers to learn that the U. S. Postal Agency at Shanghai, China, is to have a set of U. S. stamps surcharged for use at the Agency. We are indebted to G. A. Martin for a copy of the official circular authorizing the use of these stamps. The circular is self-explanatory and shows that all values of our current set from 1c to $1 inclusive (together with the 10c special delivery) are to be surcharged as indicated below, at double their face value. The new issue is doubtless due to the high price silver is selling at—the changed condition of things being very noticeable in the far East. The following is the official word in connection with these stamps:—

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Washington, May 5, 1919.

1. Postage stamps have been issued to the U. S. Postal Agency, Shanghai, China, in denominations of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 15, 20, 30, 50-cent, and $1; also 10-cent special-delivery stamps, surcharged "Shanghai, China," at double their face value. The surcharge is printed in black letters on all denominations except 7-cent and $1, which are surcharged with red ink. For example, the 1-cent stamp is surcharged as follows:

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2. These stamps are intended for sale by the Postal Agency at Shanghai at their surcharged value in local currency, and will be valid to the amount of their original values for the prepayment of postage on mail dispatched from the U. S. Postal Agency at Shanghai to addresses in the United States.

3. The Shanghai surcharged stamps will not be issued to postmasters in the United States.

A. M. DOCKERY,
Third Ass't P. M. Gen'l.

We also wish to take this opportunity of thanking the following for notes of interest: Messrs. L. P. McLaughlin, Karl Koslowski, W. J. Prinzing, A. O. Tschudin, and Chas. H. Hermann.

AUSTRALIA.—Mr. Ashley C. LeDuc calls our attention to the fact that the 1½d stamp, single watermark, occasionally shows a broken "L" in the word HALF. Mr. LeDuc is unable to advise how often this appears.

AUSTRIA *(P. O. in Italy)*.—We have been shown a very interesting little collection of 64 stamps of the Austrian occupation of part of Italy, consisting of four varieties of possibly fiscal stamps, surcharged "Ortspostmarke" above double set of Arms, the name of town and new values. The stamps are imperforate. The colors and surcharges are uniform. The four principal types are:—1c on "Cinque cent," brown on brown; 2c on "Un cent," red on buff; 3c on "Cent 7½," purple on violet; and 4c on "Due cent," green on green. Each of the four varieties have sixteen names of towns as follows:—

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BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA.—In addition to the Bosnia & Herzegovina Postage Due stamps (Scott's type D2) Nos. 364 to 373 we have received three different values, the same in all respects, 2, 4, 6 heller, rose red.

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PALESTINE.—The 2 piastres, olive, was for a very short time bisected and used as 1 piastre. From a correspondent the following information was obtained:—

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PARAGUAY.—Mr. Ashley C. LeDuc shows us a copy of No. 211, 40c rose, stamp surcharged "HABILITADA EN 0.3 0 1918." in black. The printing is done in three lines.

PERU.—Mr. A. H. Weber writes: "The current set contains an *error*. The 8c red-brown and black, has the monogram 'U.P.C.' in the tablet at the top instead of 'U.P.U.' as all the values of the set."—*London Philatelist.*

POLAND.—Mr. Frank Kocher sends us a copy of the new 50h stamp, imperforate. At the top are the words POCZTA POLSKA, at the bottom "50 halerzy 50", in the middle being the coat of arms. The color is blue gray.

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On January 1, 1886, the Government of Gibraltar took over its own postoffice from the Imperial authorities and also assumed control of the "Morocco Agencies" as sub-agencies of the Gibraltar postoffice. All the stamps issued by Gibraltar from that time until 1898 were used in Morocco and may be found with the postmarks of the Agencies.

For accounting purposes the postmaster at Tangier had urged that some distinguishing mark be placed on the stamps used in Morocco, and accordingly the current issue of Gibraltar was overprinted "Morocco Agencies" and placed on sale on June 1, 1898. Pending the preparation of such stamps by Messrs. De La Rue in London, a stock was overprinted at the *Gibraltar Chronicle* office. These are distinguished from the London overprints by a wider and thicker "M" and a "g" with the serif nearly on top, the London letter having it lower down and quite close to the "e." The ink is also not as deep black and shiny as the London ink. By carelessness a quantity of the 40 and 50 centimos and 1 peseta stamps was overprinted with indigo blue ink, which may be recognized best by looking through the stamp at a strong light. The local overprint has a variety with inverted "V" for "A," and the London overprint an "M" with an extra long serif at the upper left corner, both varieties occurring in all values. The London prints began to appear about April, 1899, and the different values rapidly followed each other as the local ones were used up. During a shortage of 5 centimo stamps in July, 1901, halves of the 10 centimos were allowed to do duty for that amount.

The return to British currency by Gibraltar in 1898, as explained in the preceding article, did not affect the Morocco Agencies' stamps, for Spanish currency was the most common medium in circulation in Morocco and it was decided on this account not to inconvenience the public with the change. Consequently, when the King Edward issue of Gibraltar stamps appeared in British currency in 1903, we find the set overprinted "Morocco Agencies" has the values in Spanish currency as before, being printed from the old "duty" plates, though the 40 centimos stamp was dropped. The same variety of "M" in the overprint occurs as in the previous issue. These stamps were at first on single "Crown CA" paper, but by 1905 the multiple watermarked paper began to appear. Some controversy has raged over the status of the 50 centimos, single watermark. It seems that the Agencies' stamps could always be bought wholesale at the Gibraltar postoffice, and as the 50 centimos stamps were not then needed in Morocco, the small supply (3,120 copies) was sold at Gibraltar. It is thus claimed that it is "a stamp prepared for use but not issued." However, as Gibraltar was the head office and the Agencies' stamps were regularly sold there, and as this stamp was valid for use in the "Agencies" just as much as its successor on "multiple" paper, we fail to see why it was not "issued" under the circumstances just as much as any other "Agencies" stamps regularly sold at Gibraltar, all of which were good in the Agencies.

The "multiple" watermarked stamps began to appear in 1905 and the 5, 10 and 20 centimos were issued thus on ordinary paper, but subsequently these three values as well as the rest of the set all appeared on the "chalk surfaced" paper. The letter "M" variety in the overprint occurs on the 5, 10 and 20 centimos ordinary paper, but was corrected before these values appeared on "chalky" paper. The remaining four values on "chalky" paper were printed with the variety before the correction was made.

On January 1, 1907, the Morocco Agencies were transferred from the control of Gibraltar to the Imperial Postal Authorities and on that date the use of the overprinted Gibraltar stamps ceased, they being replaced by a series of contemporary British stamps overprinted "Morocco Agencies" and surcharged with new value in Spanish currency from 5 centimos to 12 pesetas. Four months later a supplementary issue bearing the "Morocco Agencies" overprint alone, without new values, appeared running in value from ½ penny to 2 shillings 6 pence. These are really parcel post stamps, as payment on parcels is required in sterling currency, the stamps in Spanish currency not being allowed for this use, although the sterling stamps may be used on letters and papers without question.

The change in the British 4 pence stamp from bicolor to orange was followed by the 40 centimos surcharged stamp in 1910, but the same stamp without Spanish value did not appear until 1912. In the same year the new designs of the ½ and 1 penny stamps and the 2½ pence in the 15x14 perforation, all with Spanish currency, were issued. The current British stamps with the Spanish currency surcharge did not begin to appear until 1914, and without the currency surcharge only the ½, 1 and 2 penny, 1 shilling and 2 shillings and pence have yet been issued. A new value of 3 centimos on the ½ penny was added to the first set in 1917. After the war broke out, in October, 1914, France proclaimed a protectorate over Morocco, which is what she desired to do in 1905 when Germany interfered. As a result, she has taken over most of the postal arrangements, save in the Spanish zone of influence, and has restricted the foreign postal agencies to those of friendly powers in the city of Tangier alone and these will doubtless be closed sooner or later. Meanwhile, French currency has supplanted Spanish and as a result we find a new set of surcharged British stamps in French currency, from 3 centime to 1 franc, issued in 1918. Doubtless other values will follow.

It may be interesting to note that the cities where the previous issues of British stamps were used were: Alcazar, Casablanca, Fez, Laraiche, Mazagan, Mequinez, Mogador, Marrakesh (Morocco City), Rabat, Saffi, Tangier and Tetuan.—*New Eng. Stamp Monthly.*

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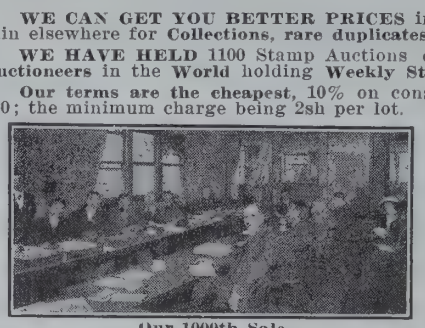

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By EARLY BYRD.

"Here, I think, are two unrecorded shifts in the 5c, '47," writes a correspondent. Both these shifts are unmistakable, and one at least is more obvious than the two major shifts generally recognized. It shows a strong doubling of the left side line at the bottom and about half-way up the side of the stamp, where the lines converge. Apparently, the transfer roll was set down obliquely on the plate, the mistake was discovered and the impression re-entered in its proper position. The second shift is not so obvious, but is best identified by a line crossing the letter "U" just above center, by the horizontal lines of the background showing clearly in the right side of "O" of "Office", in the tail of "S" of "U. S.", and in the upper right margin, and by some faint lines in the right figure "5".

As the search for minor varieties in the stamps of 1847 has scoured the market, and forced the price of fine copies up to anywhere from $5 to $25 each, a recapitulation of the things most sought after by collectors of these stamps may be of more than passing interest to the hundreds of embryo specialists developed since the publication of Dr. Carroll Chase's exhaustive studies in the *Philatelic Gazette* a few years ago. Perhaps, too, some approximate of the prices fetched by the major varieties may prevent many a spasm of pain among those inquiring for said stamps.

First, as to the colors of the various printings. Those most sought are the deep chestnut and the Vandyke browns of 1847, the bright red brown, grey brown and olive brown of 1849, the true orange of 1850, and the orange brown of about the shade of the re-issue. Of these the true orange is so rare that few dealers claim to be able to identify it; the brighter shades of orange-brown more frequently pass as orange and fine copies fetch from $7.50 to $10.

The principal paper varieties are, the ordinary bluish grey, the quite distinctly blue paper, a white paper (said to be a chemical changeling), and a thin, silky paper formerly listed as pelure. To these must be added the "stitch" watermark which looks like this ////. The watermarked variety is most prized and may fetch anything from $10 up. A good crease, showing a wide unprinted bar across the stamps is worth from $5 up.

Plate varieties are fairly numerous but only a few are well enough known to be accorded general recognition. These are, the shift with double line at the top; shift with double line at both top and bottom; the dotted "S", and the worn plate. In the case of the shift with double line at the top, a clipped copy may be identified by a curving line running through the horizontal stroke of the left figure "5" and by lines in both "O"'s of "Post Office". In a close copy of the doubled lines at top and bottom, identification may be had through the doubling of the bottom curve of "C" of "Cents" and a diagonal line crossing the lower part of the left figure "5".

The variety "dotted S" really is several varieties, ranging from a faint touch of color to a strong deep dot in the upper half of the letter. Worn plates should speak for themselves, though the absence of background and a break in the border at top and left are usually referred to.

Prices for the big shifts depend largely on the clientele of the dealer, but may be anything from $15 to $25 according to condition. Of lesser known varieties, the guide dot in "U", dot in the end of "5", and the shift showing a break in the right side of "U" and a deep semi-circle in the lower down stroke of "S" are recognized by supernuts, as also are broken frame lines, multiplied and misplaced guide dots. Most of these varieties interest chiefly those endeavoring to plate the stamps and have no generally recognized market status.

Cancellations, of course, have the widest vogue because they are easiest to identify and almost all collectors of U. S. have been educated up to them through the interesting varieties found among the 3c stamps of the 1861 and bank-note company issues, etc. While it is interesting to find a 5c '47 cancelled with a "10" in a circle, or with the Hartford magenta color, or the Chicago pink, the Tallahassee or other green, or a black town or gridiron, the real cream of 1847 cancellations are the route markings of the railroad, steamboat and steamship varieties. Route markings, to

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or from Canada, such as "Hudson River Mail", "Troy & New York Steamboat", "Steam" used on canal packets I think; railroad, such as the popular 'Philada Railroad" in a straight line in red; "N. Y. & Philada. R. R." in a circle; "Baltimore Railroad" in red; "Eastern R. R." in red or blue, found on so many New England covers; the words "Free", "Way", "PAID", etc., etc., convey so much more interesting historical information that their greater demand, and consequent value, seems to me more logical. As a rule, these can be found in full only on covers, which of course is another field. When it comes to prices on such things, the sky is the limit. Almost any old thing may cost you $10, while anything up to $50 need not surprise you for a particularly nice piece. Heaven help you if the fever for the 47's gets into your veins. Nothing but your own unceasing endeavors can help you, for the stamps are so closely held that as a reward for replying to more than 20 of our best known dealers I had only half a dozen indifferent copies offered to alleviate my suffering.

SUBMARINE MAIL SERVICE.

The honor belongs to the Canal Zone of establishing the first underseas mail service. Victor R. Wailly sends us some newspaper clippings which describe the manner in which mail was despatched. As in the Fourth Liberty Loan, the postal authorities used the new idea of airplanes in connection with applications, so in the last loan, a similar plan was worked out, only in this instance a U. S. submarine, C-3, was used. Cristobal and Balboa were the receiving and distributing points and the service will go into history as the first submarine mail service and more particularly "ocean to ocean". The special postmarking applied to the envelopes will be the feature of most interest to stamp collectors.

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—L. W. Bealer writes a brief word concerning a visit to the philatelic library in the Congressional Library. He found there two priced catalogs dated before 1875 and "a most interesting little book published in London, 1864, by Bellars and Davie. It claims to list all the stamps ever issued with their value and degree of rarity, the latter being graded as common, not common, rare, very rare and excessively rare. Another booklet was a 'Complete List of Stamp Dealers of the World', 1885. It includes about 300 in the United States, a nearly equal number in England and about 100 elsewhere".

—W. H. Z.—You inquired about "Album Weeds." The book may be obtained from Eugene Klein, 1318 Chestnut St., Phila., Pa.

—"I have the 1c and 2c blue Proprietary current issue on double line revenue paper. The 1c top strips are marked PROPRIETARY PLATE with denomination of issue and plate number over four stamps. The 2c has a similar marking but covers three stamps."—E. H. Gammans.

—The WEEKLY desires to state that full satisfaction has been rendered so far as Mr. C. W. Parker is concerned, and the columns of the WEEKLY are open to him for any further advertising that he may desire to give us. We make this statement with the assurance that his business obligations will be promptly taken care of.

—We have received a lengthy letter from Dr. Hubert Lyman Clark criticising sharply the practises of certain dealers who pay absolutely no attention to letters sent them. We shall not publish the entire letter but the following paragraph should have a salutary effect in the quarters where it may be needed:

"To bring the matter home more closely, I may say that there are *35* advertisers in MEKEEL'S who do not answer their letters and some fifteen of these are regular advertisers. For instance, F. M. Mason of Providence, to whom I have written twice, and the Stamp & Coin Exchange of N. Y. City, to whom I have written *three* times during the past year. I know of no business except that of stamp dealers, where trade is not eagerly sought and constant effort made to hold a customer. But there are certainly a lot of dealers in stamps who won't go out of their way to get a new customer or hold an old one."

—E. Woeller, Waterloo, Can., is also interested in Leon Barri, Jr. He writes that though numerous letters have been sent Barri not a single one has been repied to. Are there others who are interested?

—What about R. V. Walton, Augusta, Ga? We are having our difficulties in getting him to answer communications.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from C. H. Goodrich, F. W. Lynes, C. M. Breder, Victor R. Wailly, Kenneth Tallmadge and Chas. E. Booth.

—Another advertiser reports that he can get no satisfactory returns to letters sent E. S. Pierce of Millis, Mass. We refer to the Midland Stamp Co., Toronto, Can.

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CANADA WAR TAX NOS. 301-303.

By WILLARD O. WYLIE.

We have had several communications dealing with the Canada War Tax stamps Nos. 301-303. One is from Harry E. Huber and another from W. W. Walsh, and we deem it best to summarize in this article the information gleaned from their letters, as well as what has come to us from other sources. We are bringing to this matter all the light that we can procure—and if any other official matter is available, we shall be glad to have it submitted for inspection.

The stamps in question are of three denominations:—5, 20 and 50c, and Bright's catalog gives the date of issue as Feb. 12, 1915. Bright also says that these three stamps were only on sale for one day "and have been used for postage although intended originally for a tax on wines, etc."

Evidently, the public made use of these stamps to a certain extent for postal purposes. Anyway, there appeared on March 5, 1915, an official circular signed by R. W. Coulter which we quote in full:—

Post Office Department, Canada,
OTTAWA, March 5th, 1915.

"Circular to Postmasters.

The Postmaster is informed that postage stamps of five-cent, twenty-cent, and fifty-cent denominations, impressed with the words "war-tax", are being used by the Inland Revenue Department for the collection of the war tax on wines, and the Postmaster is especially instructed that postage stamps of these denominations having the words "war tax" impressed upon them are not to be accepted as postage, as they are being used exclusively for Inland Revenue purposes.

(sgd.) R. W. COULTER,
Deputy Postmaster General."

It would seem as though this circular effectively disposed of any postal recognition that these stamps may have had, and emphasized the fact that in the mind of the department, the 5, 20 and 50c War Tax stamps were designed only for revenue use.

There appeared, however, on April 16, another circular from the same official, and a copy of this circular has been sent us by W. W. Walsh. It seems to us that this circular supplements rather than annuls the previous one. We quote:—

Post Office Department, Canada,
OTTAWA, April 16th, 1915.

"Circular to Postmasters.

The Postmaster is informed that it has been decided that postage stamps upon which the words "War Tax" have been printed may be accepted for prepayment of postage, and he is to amend his instructions and procedure accordingly.

In no circumstances are Inland Revenue stamps to be accepted on letters, postcards, postal notes or Post Office Money Orders.

The Postmaster is warned that in all cases War Tax letters and postcards must be handled with expedition, and there must be positively no congestion.

R. M. COULTER,
Deputy Postmaster General."

We have said that this circular supplements and does not annul the one issued under date of March 5. Mr. Huber, in his letter, states that the circular of April 16 "referred only to the 1c and 2c War Tax stamps and the information conveyed by the postage stamp branch is exact and accurate in every respect. The 5c, 20c and 50c stamps, which were surcharged with the words WAR TAX and a later issue with the words INLAND REVENUE WAR TAX, became purely revenue stamps, losing, thereby, all value for postage." This quotation, from Mr. Huber, is taken from an official source and we are willing to believe that the circular of April 16 should be interpreted as referring to the 1c and 2c War Tax stamps.

Quite naturally people would question whether the entire postal rate could be met with war tax stamps, and this ruling of the department made this point clear. It should be noted that Bright gives the date of this circular as April 16, 1916—a typographical error.

Five weeks after this second circular was issued, (to be exact, on May 20), a third circular appeared in which the department made the two previous circulars the subject of departmental information. We published this circular in the issue of May 3 and do not need to repeat it. It consigned the 5c, 20c and 50c stamps with War Tax overprint to revenue department purposes and at the same time made the 1c and 2c stamps good not only for the prepayment of postage, but for the prepayment of war duties.

Mr. Huber made the title of his article "Exit—Canada War Tax Nos. 301-303," and we submit that this summary of official information must be conclusive in establishing the real status of the stamps in question. Entire original covers with the 5c, 20c or 50c War Tax overprint will be of philatelic interest and value, but it is clear to us that they possess no legal departmental standing.

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All classes of publications are feeling the severe drain made upon them by the increased cost in nearly every item that enters into the production of the printed page. Within the past month the *London Philatelist* has declared that it must either cease publication or raise the subscription price to $5 per year.. The *London Philatelist* carries only a limited amount of advertising, due, no doubt, to a small circulation.

THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Trip—The establishment of a regular air mail service between Chicago and Cleveland has not evoked the enthusiasm among collectors that reports of the installation of new routes did some time ago. The airplane service on the whole has proved a fiasco so far as adding to the satisfaction of philatelists is considered. The absence, as a rule, of characteristic markings on the trips establishing the mail routes in the air has been a disappointment to scores of collectors and it is not easy to understand how the postal authorities did not appreciate the sentiment of the occasions or could have been neglectful of historical obligations, as to have left unmarked the beginning of an era in the postal service. Howbeit, the errors of omission have been made and a delightful side-line of philately has been discouraged. It must be admitted, however, that on the first Cleveland to Chicago trip, the words "Via Aeroplane" were rubber-stamped on each piece of mail matter. Inquiry developed that no special marking was used in Chicago for the return trip; and unless the mail from Chicago, franked with the aeroplane stamps and marked "By Airplane" was endorsed, "Hold for next trip," it would be forwarded not by aeroplane but by fast mail, according to our information. However, in this connection, it must be recorded that an officer in the air mail service said that special stamps, with the words, "First Trip," were sent to Cleveland, Bryan, Ohio and Chicago.

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True—The information given several months ago in this paper that in all likelihood a new perforation would be adopted for our current stamps and that at least the one cent stamp had been perforated 12½ is confirmed. In the issue of April 12, 1919, it was said: "We infer from this statement that a new perforating machine has been employed on so large a number of these sheets that the sheets so perforated are intended for distribution to post offices." In the issue of May 3, 1919, Mr. Philip H. Ward, Jr., quotes the acting director at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, as saying that the Bureau "has been experimenting with a machine for perforating stamps, in the hope that the work may be done more economically and expeditiously, but no definite conclusions in this matter have been reached." This statement is in accord with the news that we received from a reliable source; and we are now told that a rather large quantity of "a stamp other than postage" has been run through the new machine that perforates on the scale of 12½. We have received a description of the ingenious perforating machine with which the Bureau is experimenting, for which advantages are claimed over the one now in use. The pins are hardened and are more durable than those in the machine now in use and the device will allow of the replacement of a broken pin easily enough. Probably five sheets of stamps could be perforated at one time, if it were advisable to do so, as the pins extend slightly into the recess of the other wheel. The principle on which the machine operates that allows of the punching of the holes by the action of the two wheels is ingenious with its counting and locking advantages. It will be interesting to learn what the disposition of this new machine will be.

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Test—From Mr. E. N. Tuckerman, Elkhart, Indiana, we have received an interesting criticism of the surface printing from an angle that must be apparent although it has not been widely discussed. He begins: "The governments of the world are indebted to a great extent for the many improvements in their postal system to the untiring efforts of the philatelist. Counterfeiting has even been reduced to the minimum by their vigilance; and in a thousand and one ways, they have benefitted both governments and their peoples." Mr. Tuckerman then dwells upon the beauties of well-executed stamps and how they recompensed collectors for the service that, to stretch it a bit, philatelists performed. However, Mr. Tuckerman receives a shock in the contemplation of the present surface prints of our stamps and he is moved to exclaim: "It may be economical but surely it is an eye-sore to the philatelist and a discredit to our nation or else I miss my guess. Even the slouchiest country circus man would not stoop to such an unsightly 'job' of printing for his posters and heralds to be placed before an indiscriminate populace in some 'jay' town." Mr. Tuckerman does not spare the surface printed creations and makes them hang their heads in shame. Of course, the beautiful line-engraved stamps are being sacrificed on the basis of expediency and efficiency; and we are afraid that as the business of the world increases, the flat printing will have the call. We have been assured that the off-set process will allow of improved results with good ink but it must be admitted that flat work cannot compete in beauty and strength with engraving in recess.

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Turn—It is not to be gainsaid that for some time past, the national philatelic societies have suffered through some slackening of interest in them on the part of members and others by reason of the unprecedented conditions that have prevailed. When the war was on, attention while not distracted from stamps did not seem to extend beyond them to the stamp societies. We know that not a few of the society workers served their country and this was a drain of society vitality, but the fact was recognized with pride. It now becomes incumbent on the well-wishers of philately to rally again under the standards of the national organizations and progress in the constructive work that has been started. It is a tribute to the inherent strength of the stamp societies that they endured during the trying times when their functions were dwarfed into insignificance in comparison with the great world work that was being accomplished. We are aware that there have been critics of the inaction of these organizations but to those who have written us inquiring about conditions that were not satisfactory to them, we can say that nearly all is well again in these representative bodies. With helpful consideration, the members can institute a campaign that will have fruition in the coming conventions of the national societies as happily, the annual meetings are now regarded as working sessions rather than purely relaxation periods. These few explanatory words are given both in behalf of the correspondents who have written us and of the officers of the societies.

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Told—The work of preparation for the conventions of the American Philatelic Association and the Society of Philatelic Americans at St. Louis and San Francisco respectively is well under way. Dr. H. A. Davis, secretary of the older society, informs us that the St. Louis convention will be held beginning on August 19th, 1919. The tentative program follows: Monday night, August 18th, reception and fraternization at the hotel; Tuesday afternoon, automobile ride,—evening, lecture and auction; Wednesday afternoon, boat-ride on the Mississippi—evening, stamp mart; Thursday evening, banquet, followed by vaudeville at Forest Park Highlands. The probable headquarters, Planters' Hotel.

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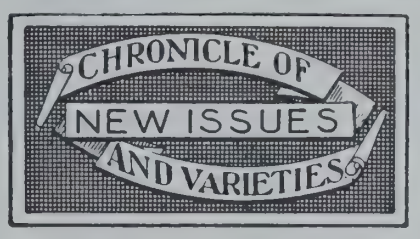

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

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UNITED STATES.—In our chronicle of last week we mentioned briefly the finding of the current 3c envelope printed in black upon amber. The original finder has since located a package of twenty-five which he kindly distributed to the members of the Philadelphia Stamp Club at a nominal figure. It seems that the envelope runs in a deep black without traces of purple on some of them, while others show very slight traces of the purple. The envelope is a decided error, and there can be no doubt about the color. Outside of these twenty-five, no more are in the hands of collectors although efforts are being made to obtain some few that are still in the hands of the firm originally purchasing them from the Post Office. So far, in point of numbers, this variety is decidedly the rarer of the several errors.

We have heard rumors which we have not as yet been able to confirm that the 3c in red has also been located on buff and amber and that the 1c is known in red on white.

In our original chronicle of the 3c red on white, we transcribed notes given us by a New York dealer and through error, we were informed that the envelope was Die A, whereas it was actually Die E. In other words, all of the red error envelopes, so far on both blue and white, are from Die E. The black envelope described above is Die A.

While on the subject of envelopes we might mention that Mr. W. A. Langdon has sent us one of the 2c circular dies with the stamp embossed near the lower right corner.

Mr. C. M. Breder has sent us the 3c on white which is an albino on the front showing no color but the embossing only, whereas on the inside we get an offset impression in purple. Numerous other correspondents have sent us freaks of this nature which are now becoming quite common.

Mr. George Soulman writes to state that he believes the Bureau has made an error when they inform us in a recent letter that no stamps have been distributed recently, other than those with the standard perforation 11. He states that he believes he will shortly be able to show us not only the current 1c stamp, but some of the revenues as well, from the new perforating machine with which the Bureau has been recently experimenting. We will greatly appreciate specimens of such varieties from any of our readers.

We have mentioned in previous issues a list of provisional "NARCOTIC" Revenues from Detroit and we now wish to add to the list the 3 and 5c values printed in purplish red on the regular documentary stamps. These values have appeared in both the first and second types.

Capt. Mayhew, Mr. A. S. Davenport and Mr. Max Menzel have shown us copies of the new blue playing card stamp surcharged 3—4—1919 7 CENTS U. S. P. C. Co., which were, of course, issued previous to the recent advance in playing card rates. The copy submitted by Capt. Mayhew was rouletted at top and bottom and imperforated at the sides, while the copies submitted by the other gentlemen were rouletted all around. We have no doubt that these same varieties exist surcharged similarly 8c.

The Nassau Stamp Company writes us in detail regarding the new Proprietary issues and similar information comes from Mr. Harman Wendell, the latter gentleman sending us a copy of the Collector of Internal Revenue "Form 27-a" which are used by those making requisition upon the Collector for these stamps. So far we have seen the 3c in addition to the 1c and 2c mentioned recently, but the other values have not appeared up to this writing.

In an editorial appearing in our issue of May 10th, mention was made of an error booklet issued to the American Expeditionary Forces wherein the book opened from left to right instead of right to left. This is not an error, and if our readers will refer to a very interesting description appearing in one of our former issues, written by Mr. Geo. H. Beans, concerning these booklets, they will find that just as many were printed opening in one way as the other. The variety is due to the manner in which the sheets were bound together and cut and as mentioned before it is not an error.

ALBANIA.—Mr. W. S. Ledbetter has shown us a copy of No. 62, 1c stamp of the 1917 issue containing the same error as exists on the 2 and 3c value, viz.: "CTM for CTS". This has not heretofore been listed in either Scott's or Y. & T. catalogs to our knowledge.

ARGENTINE.—Mr. George Soulman has shown us the 2c, 5 and 12c values of the current issue on what appears to be a blued paper. The stamp makes a trifle different appearance printed on this paper.

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As we go to press, Messrs. D. Head & Co. show us examples of the new 3d "WAR TAX" stamp, described in our issue for March 22.—*Stamp Collecting.*

CUBA.—The current 2 cents is now appearing in vermilion, instead of rose. —*Stamp Collecting.*

COLOMBIAN REPUBLIC.—Captain R. E. Honke shows us the 1c stamp No. 326 in darker shades of green, and the 2c, No. 327, in a lighter shade of red and on white paper. He also adds that while these stamps are supposed to be of the 1908 issue they are in general use in the country at present. Capt. Honke, at the same time, submits a copy of No. 354 with the surcharge reversed, and informs us that these stamps have not only been found on letters, but used as revenue stamps for various documents.

DOMINICA.—C. G. Dietrich informs us that the 2sh blue and violet on blue has only just now been issued. It has been listed in certain European catalogs as having appeared some years back.

EAST AFRICA (*Belgian Occupation*).—The 5c, 10c, 15c, 25c, 40c, 50c, 1fr, and 5fr, values of 1916 have been overprinted as under, for use as Postage Dues:—

TAXES

—*Stamp Collecting.*

ESTHONIA.—C. G. Dietrich informs us that he has seen four values, the denominations and colors being as follows:—5k salmon, 15k greenish blue, 35k lilac brown and 70k olive green.

FRENCH POST OFFICES IN CHINA.—We are advised by Mr. James M. Henry that the recently surcharged Canton stamps contain an error in the 4c value. It has an error in the Chinese surcharge which reads, 2 cents instead of 4 cents. The stock in the Post Office was exhausted almost immediately upon this discovery.

GREAT BRITAIN.—According to the *Fortnightly,* there will be no Victory stamp for Great Britain. We quote from this publication:—

"The question of a 'peace' or 'victory' stamp was raised in the House of Commons by Captain Ormsby-Gore, M. P., who suggested that, following the example of America, a postage stamp commemorative of peace should be issued by the British postal authorities. The Postmaster-General's reply, delivered in his best official manner, was that this country had not yet 'contracted the habit' of issuing commemorative postage stamps, and did not propose to do so."

JAPAN.—R. Yokohori informs us that a commemorative set of stamps in honor of the signing of the peace treaty is in preparation, and it is expected that the set will be put in circulation on the date when peace becomes effective. There will be four values:—1½, 3, 4, and 10sen the same as the Coronation set of 1915. Two famous Japanese artists, Messrs. Okada and Yuki, have prepared the designs and the government printing bureau is hastily printing the stamps. Mr. Yokohori promises us an early inspection of the new victory set.

NEWFOUNDLAND. — Mr. Michael P. Hynes advises that 200 of the 3 cent Caribou issue have been overprinted for the first trans-Atlantic Aerial Post. The overprint is in black as follows:

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Mr. Frank F. Wills has advised us that most of the values of the Caribou set are now issued in lighter shades than heretofore. He adds that he has seen the 1c and 2c values and is informed that the 3c, 4c and 5c are also on sale.

NICARAGUA.—Mr. H. Chitraro submits to us the following new provisionals recently issued for this country:—"medio centavo de cordoba" on No. 357 (in black) and "un centavo de cordoba" on No. 357 (in black). Mr. Chitraro also adds the following information: "This stamp also comes surcharged in black 'cinco centavos de cordoba.' Also the following provisionals, which have been replaced by the same values as above:—"media centavo de cordoba" on No. 360 (magenta) and "un centavo de cordoba" on No. 358 (orange).

In addition to the provisionals already catalogued (Nos. 362, 363, 364, 368 and 370) the following have since been issued:—"medio centavo de cordoba" on No. 356 (black); "un centavo de cordoba" on No. 358 (dull red); "dos centavos de cordoba" on No. 359 (black); "un centavo de cordoba" on No. 358 (black), and "cinco centavos de cordoba" (same type) on No. 355 (black).

I have the following varieties:—"uu centavo de cordoba" on No. 363 (n in the un inverted); "un centavo de cordoba" on No. 363 double surcharge; "dos centavo de cordoba" on No. 364 (s in centavos missing); "dos centavo de cordoba" on No. 364 double surcharge; "2 centavo de cordoba" on No. 364; "1 centavo d cordoba" on No. 368 (e in de missing); "uu centavo de cordoba" on No. 358 (dull red) n in un inverted; and "cinco centavos de cordoba" (same type) on No. 355 double surcharge.

NYASALAND PROTECTORATE.—Lieut.-Col. G. Jameson Johnston informs us that he has received another batch of Portuguese Nyassa stamps obliterated with the "Nyasaland F.F.2" postmark, on pieces bearing chiefly 50r values, or pairs of 25r, representing the ordinary rate. These bear dates in March and July last.—*Stamp Collecting.*

PHILIPPINES.—Delf Noronha sends us an aerial postcard from the Philippines commemorating the establishment of the first aerial mail service in the Islands. April 4 and 5 are given as the dates. The card is stamped with the current 2c green and bears a triangular cancellation in violet. The following inscriptions are found:—"The Champion Explorer of the Sky—Miss Ruth Law—Aerial Mail Service—Bureau of Posts—Philippine Islands." We have as yet received no particulars of the service rendered.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—Examples of the 10c blue, K.G. (chronicled so long ago as August 10 last) have been shown us by Mr. Sarringer and other friends. We are officially informed that the Red Cross stamps are "out of print," and no more can be supplied by the Straits Settlements Post Office.—*Stamp Collecting.*

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By S. S.

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I think the time is at hand to form a Society of Stamp Collectors—and let that be its name—without Constitution or By-laws or dues or any of the least hindrances to organization. It shall be necessary, however, for its membership to be restricted. It should be composed wholly of shut-ins, or those whose physical condition shall not pass the muster-roll of the perfect.

I would further suggest that no officers encumber its roster of members, unless it be necessary to have an Honorary Secretary, who shall act in the capacity of *pater familias* to the Society, conducting all necessary correspondence.

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WATERBURY CANCELLATIONS.

By PERCY MCG. MANN.

Ingenuity in the mind of a postal clerk or postmaster would be frowned upon nowadays by the authorities unless the ingenious inventions were first submitted to them for their approval. This was not the case back in the "sixties" if we take for example the designs for cancellations devised in the brain and ably executed by an artistic postmaster or postal clerk of the postoffice at Waterbury, Connecticut, during that period.

The post office official would not find time nowadays to while away the hours between mails by whittling fanciful designs on the end of a cork or a block of wood. Nor would the higher up officials permit the vagaries of such a whittler to continue should he attempt a continuous use of his artistic productions.

Perhaps the artist, or artists, who also occupied an easy position at the Waterbury Postoffice, little thought of the demand his works of art would have sixty years after he whiled away his time by commemorating the events of his time in cutting cork obliterators for defacing the postage stamps on mail matter passing through his hands.

Can it be said, stamp collecting is a mingling of the curious with the artistic? The art of enhancing a stamp collection with curious bits of postal history appears to be on the increase. In the early days of philately the stamp wasn't collected for its odd or fanciful cancellation. Now, we all know the futility of attempting to form a complete or anywhere near complete collection of postage stamps. Thousands of our philatelists are using their efforts along the line of collecting stamps as curios—some stamps are becoming antiques. This is the outcome of most all kinds of collecting. One's field is limited, and one is guided solely by his pocketbook or his ability to find the curios which cost him little or nothing. When many begin the hunt, the value of the sought-after is enhanced.

At a recent auction sale held by the J. M. Bartels Co. in New York City, thirty-two lots of covers bearing stamps issued from 1861 to late in the seventies and cancelled at the Waterbury, Ct., post office, were offered to collectors. The cancellations were of great variety and displayed the talents of the postal official mentioned above. It is possible the artist kept a record of the use of the varying marks, and a complete list would be of considerable interest. However, awaiting the publication of such a list, if it exists, the philatelist can check up dates from available information on the subject.

Mr. William E. Ault, of St. Louis, recently wrote of these odd cancellations (*American Philatelist*, Feb., 1919) which had been submitted to him by Mr. M. Ray Sanborn, of West Haven, Ct. The publicity thus extended to them has had the effect of stimulating the collecting of cancellations. The old time collectors of cancellations, however, always on the watch out for them, and knowing their value, did not let the Waterbury marks get away from them. Spirited bidding at the auction sale resulted in several of the more artistic cancellations bringing very good prices.

The illustrations are not tracings of the actual cancellations, but poor free-hand drawings, the marks losing much of their artistic merit in the reproduction.

Star cancellations are fairly common and therefore the prices for these were not as strong as for more carefully executed artistry. Following, I endeavor to list the marks in chronological order as shown by the dates in the auction catalogue:—

1. The earliest (Nov. 7, 1865) is a rayed star composed of seven diamonds. This, with an eight pointed star of similar construction, fetched 65 cents!

2. A rayed star of nine diamonds (Mar. 8, 1866)—$2.20.

3. A shield with thirteen stripes (Mar. 20, 1866)—$2.70.

4. Probably the prize of the lot, with the exception of the next one. An elephant (April, 1866)—$11.00 Mr. Bartels had a limit of $16.10 on this.

5. A man's head, hatted and collared; probably a caricature of the postmaster or the artist himself (May 8, 1866)—$16.25. The limit on this lot was $25.

6. A leaf "similar to an elm" (Jul. 24, 1866)—$4.60.

7. "Perhaps a flounder" (fish) (Aug. 20, 1866)—$5.

8. A "tri-pinnate leaf, perhaps an ash" (Aug. 24, 1866)—50 cents.

9. A large "G" in a circle, with another, a "W", (Aug. 26, 1866)— $1.

10. A nine striped shield (Sep. 13, 1866)—$2.20.

11. A "W" as mentioned above (Oct. 29, 1866).

12. A star of eight diamonds, as mentioned in the first lot above (May 26, 1867.)

13. Seven arrow heads with points to the center in the form of a star (Aug. 15, 1867)—$3.80.

14 and 15. An eight rayed star composed of as many diamonds (May 13, 1867) and seven arrow heads with points to the center in star formation (Aug. 17, 1867), the two—30 cents.

16. A very striking combination of a solid star of five rays interposed with as many small hearts (Oct. 22, 1867)—$4.25.

The above cancellations were all on 1c or 3c 1861 issue, with the exception of one 1864 stamped envelope, the second item in above lot 13.

17. A pumpkin on a 1c 9x13 grill (July 5, 1868 or '69)—(Should have been used October 31!)—$8.50.

18. A thistle flower (not illustrated) (Mar. 12, 1869)—$4.60.

19. Another of same, stamp with straight edge, together with a Stamford, Ct., cover, (Feb. 28, 1869)—90 cents.

20. A woman's head with bonnet and ribbons (Mar. 7, 1869)—$8.25

21. A bee with outspread wings (Mar. 17, 1869)—$4.60.

22. A gaitered boot (Mar. 24, 1869)—$7.75.

23. An outlined shield, six black bars (Mar. 28, 1869)—50 cents.

24. An eight foliate rosette (Apr. 4, 1869)—$2.10.

25. A "maple shaped leaf" (Apr. 7, 1869)—$4.25.

26. A six rayed star composed of as many diamonds (May 7, 1869)—70 cents.

27. A mortar and pestle (Jul. 3, 1869)—$6.75.

28 and 29. A pumpkin (July 8) and a mortar and pestle (July 18, 1869), the two—$1.10. (Stamps damaged.)

All the above from No. 17 are on 3c 1869.

30. A "heart and dart" for Valentine's Day on the 3c 1871 (Feb. 15)—$5.75.

31 and 32. A clover leaf on the 1c 1873 (Dec. 26, 1876) together with two other covers, one a maple leaf (Jun. 4, 1878)—the three—60 cents.

33. A shield with five vertical bars on a 1c 1873 brought $1.60.

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FIUME.

By THEODORE H. AMES.

Fiume, the bone of contention between the Jugo-Slavs and Italy, is one of the new states of the disintegrating Austro-Hungarian Empire which is regaling stamp collectors with an avalanche of new issues and it is believed that the table at the end of this article, showing the types and quantities of the types issued, will prove of interest to all who are collecting the stamps of the new Central Europe republics.

Fiume is situated on the Adriatic and is one of the principal seaports on the Eastern shore. It bears about the same relation to Hungary, or more properly, Croatia, that Trieste does, or did, to Austria. Altho the population is undoubtedly predominantly Italian, it is the only good seaport available for the use of the Jugo-Slav state and without it the latter would find it hard to develop its resources. The city boasts three harbors and a quay nearly two miles in length, a great diversity of industries, and a long list of articles for export, including fish, sugar, grain, beans, timber, and horses.

Founded during the period of expansion of the Roman Empire, it was destroyed by Charlemagne in 799, being ruled by the Franks for a long period. It then passed under the rule of feudal lords, until Frederick the Third made it a part of Austria. Charles VI, of Austria, proclaimed Fiume a free city and later, Maria Theresa annexed it to Hungary. It then passed successively through the hands of the French, British, Austrians, Hungarians, and Croatians. Its final disposition is yet to be decided upon but meanwhile "the stamps are coming."

Contrary to some reports, no Hungarian stamps with the surcharge S. H. S. were used at Fiume after the occupation of the city by the Italian troops. Only the Hungarian stamps, with the overprint FIUME were current in the city pending the issue of a permanent set.

The Postal Department sent the greater part of the Hungarian stamps on hand, at the moment of the occupation of the city by the Allied troops, to a local printing office where they were surcharged with the name of the city, "FIUME". The work was finished the second of December, 1918. The surcharges were made in two settings; the low values, reaper, and Emperor Charles types, were done first as it was necessary to make a new composition of type for the other values, on account of their different size.

This first impression was made very neatly and well, with surprisingly few errors, considering the short time in which it was completed. One "I", being broken in the course of the printing, fell from the case and resulted in the error "F UME"; this error is not found except in the low values. A few others which occurred, were immediately noticed and corrected. There exist some inverted and double surcharges, but they are remarkably few.

The quantities of stamps thus treated were limited and some of the values are quite rare. They were soon exhausted, and the Post Office Department gave orders to surcharge, in the same manner, all the Hungarian stamps remaining, and also all the stamps which might be presented by the public at the stamp windows of the Post Office. No Hungarian stamps were henceforth to be accepted in payment for postage on letters unless they bore the surcharge FIUME. All the possessors of old stamps were, then, obliged to exchange them for those surcharged "FIUME".

This explains how some denominations, which were exhausted at the Post Office at the time of the first impression, but which were held by private persons, bear the impression of the second printing, but not the first.

The second impression was made by hand, for it was hardly possible to surcharge, by machine, stamps which were not in sheets, but consisted, in many cases, of single stamps, handed in by the public at the Post Office windows. The printer made up a composition to surcharge 5 stamps at a time. 25 letters were thus used, which, while nearly the same, nevertheless, present certain minor differences.

The work was commenced on December 12 and occupied only a few days.

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On the 3rd of January there were placed on sale the new series of stamps for Fiume. Some nine denominations have appeared since that date, but it does not yet appear that the series is completed. The 10, 15, and 20c picture "The City Tower", from which an Italian flag is flung to the breeze. The 5c green shows the head of a young woman whose hair is caught in a bandeau, surmounted by a star upon her forehead. The stamps of the 25 and 45c denomination illustrates a supposedly heroic group consisting of a woman, brandishing a torch (of Liberty?) who advances, supported by a lion. The 60c, 1 crown, and 10 crowns, show a sailor upon the bow of a vessel arriving at Fiume, who, with one hand, raises upon its staff, the Italian flag, and with the other greets the city by doffing his cap. All these stamps were printed at Trieste and are rather poorly executed, being lithographed on a poor quality of paper.

I give below, the types, denominations and quantities of Hungarian stamps which received the surcharge "Fiume".

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2f	89,570	15f white figs.	4,905
3f	89,295	15f violet figs.	112,155
5f	99,290	20f	156,100
6f	49,915	25f	26,919
10f white figs.	1,440	35f	20,300
10f red figs.	1,802	40f	13,178
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50f	34,430	2kr	32,662
75f	21,044	3kr	11,780
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10f	164,535	40f	15,980
20f	80,510		
Newspaper Stamps.			
2f	75,500		
Charity Stamps.			
10f	46,300	40f	24,060
15f	39,820		
Postage Dues, Red Figures.			
1f	2,240	12f	18,530
2f	38,680	15f	2,250
5f	15,600	20f	45,140
6f	63,300	30f	2,160
10f	6,550		
Same With Black Figures.			
6f	2,000	50f	2,354
12f	1,800		
Postage Dues Surcharged "Franco 45".			
6f	20,000	20f	8,000

The above table will be found of great value in determining the relative scarcity of the different varieties. I am indebted to the Monthly Bulletin of Theodore Champion for much of the information contained in this article.

AIR MAIL CANCELLATIONS.

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—After residing twenty-three years at 265 Halsey St., Brooklyn, N. Y., George J. Carter, the well-known dealer, is now located at 1070 Carroll St., same city. During all this time Mr. Carter has been upon our subscription list.

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—The *Illinois State Register,* of Springfield, Ill., states that there is on exhibition in that city a map of the state of Illinois made entirely of postage stamps, the work of F. F. Weber of Atlanta, Ill. The map of the state is made by counties, each county being in a different color of postage stamps, and is not only accurate but beautiful. At one side of the map is the figure of an Indian and a dog. The background is a forest. On the other side is a figure representing progress, and over all the great seal of the state of Illinois. These also are done in stamps.

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STAMPS OF THE ARMISTICE.

While Jugo-Slavia and Italy were waiting for the Peace Conference at Paris to decide which nation was entitled to possession of Fiume, each of the two governments put forth postage stamps significant of the occupation of the former Hungarian port. And just as each government refused to recognize the military or political supremacy of the other in Fiume, so each declined to concede that the other's Fiume issue of stamps was legally of use for postage purposes, and thus has been brought about a situation of peculiar interest to the world's stamp collectors.

Apparently, Jugo-Slavia's Fiume stamps were put into circulation first. These were not labels especially designed for the purpose and newly-printed, but were stamps formerly in use in the Hungary of the old Austro-Hungarian dual monarchy but now overprinted with an inscription indicating the new use to which these adhesives were to be put—that is, on letters mailed in and from Fiume. This surcharge reads H. S. H. HRVATSKA, the letters meaning, Serbia, Croatia and Slavonia, component parts of Jugo-Slavia, and the overprint was placed on approximately 40 different Hungarian regular issues, charity stamps, special delivery stamps, newspaper stamps and postage dues, some of which were current in Hungary in the days before the war.

The Italian authorities in Fiume objected to the circulation of these overprinted labels and promptly put forth some surcharged Hungarian stamps on their own account. The Italian issue comprised six or more varieties of one of Hungary's wartime sets, and the overprint consisted of the word FIUME. Evidently, these stamps were prepared hurriedly to offset Jugo-Slavia's Fiume issue, for it was not long before Italy introduced a Fiume set of special design. This new series, probably intended to displace Italy's provisionals, shows on two of the values a picture of a business district of Fiume, with the Italian flag flying from what is apparently one of the public buildings; and the word Fiume is engraved as part of the design.

Awarding of Fiume to Italy would insure the permanency of this specially-designed set. The granting of Fiume to Jugo-Slavia would mean the withdrawal of this series, providing the Italians agreed to order their military forces away and not insist on continued occupation; and this situation would foreshadow Jugo-Slavia's retirement of her provisionals and the substitution for them of a permanent set—probably Jugo-Slavia stamps for use alike in Fiume and the rest of the new-born nation.

Meanwhile these hurriedly-prepared Fiume stamps are providing for philatelists some of the most fascinating postal labels of the reconstruction period in the New Europe.

Poland, as a republic, has instituted postal retaliation against Germany, thereby producing some of the queerest stamps in philatelic history.

During the war the Huns invaded Poland, seizing this territory which was then a part of the Russia of the days of the Romanoff dynasty. "Philately follows the flag," and the Germans took with them great stocks of stamps which were current in Germany, and put them in use in Poland. But before they went into circulation there, the labels received an overprint reading "Gen. Gouv Warschau," signifying that these overprinted adhesives were the ones which henceforth must be used by the people living in the land of which Warsaw was the capital. For use on letters locally in Warsaw, the German occupation authorities permitted the civilian officials of Warsaw to issue a special series of stamps.

It is these two German-prepared sets, stocks of which were seized by the Republic of Poland authorities after the boche had been forced to retire, which the Paderewski government is now putting to retaliatory use. The new Poland, instead of having stamps of special design, prepared hurriedly, decided to use up the seized Hun stocks. Thus upon the German labels already defaced with Germany's occupation surcharge, a new overprint has been placed by the Poles, this reading "Poczta Polska," which, translated, means "Republic of Poland." The words "Gouv. Gen. Warschau" have been overruled with black lines. The Warsaw locals have been similarly surcharged, except Polish eagle, and are for use in the Kalish and Lubin districts. In these districts are being used also stamps which, formerly current in Austria, have since been seized by the Poles and overprinted with "Poczta Polska" and the Polish eagle. These several Polish issues number more than 30 varieties. —*Springfield Union.*

PHILIPPINES
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Plastered—We have seen the envelope containing a letter that has just been received from Berlin by a Chicagoan that is stamped and labeled liberally. The envelope is postmarked Stockholm and bears the twenty ore blue of the issue of Sweden. The first censor label has the endorsement in ink, "From enemy." Below, the words, "Deutscher Hulfverein," are stamped; and we are told that this charity agency secures the transit of the letters from Germany to Stockholm. The second censor's label is across an end of the envelope. The journey of the letter from Berlin to Chicago required almost two months.

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Provided—On a letter just received from Brigadier General Bandholtz, U. S. A., that he sends registered and by special delivery, are the following stamps of our current issue; one cent, engraved and surfaced printings; two, three, surface; five, ten and twelve cents, which says General Bandholtz, were placed in use on May 2, 1919. The military mail which heretofore has been franked otherwise will now bear our stamps, we infer.

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Relief—Some time ago, Mr. George Engerrand, Biloxi, Miss., wrote: *"Apropos* of your article, 'Remedy,' (March 22, Page 194), I want to say that my stamps never stick to the pages of my album, even in the damp climate of the Mississippi coast. I use the 'Pochette Phila' which keeps the stamps brand new with their virginal gum. No hinge is needed and the lover of stamps will never put them in his album without dressing them in a 'Pochette Phila.' The use of them solves the question of contamination through handling of stamps." We learn that over two thousand different sizes of this transparent sheath are made and that Mr. Engerrand is the agent for it in North America. As the name of the covering implies, the pocket is of the thinnest celluloid, we suppose, that holds the stamp snugly, with a tissue insert to protect the gum.

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Reported—A correspondent says: "It may interest you to know that there is in Italy, a perfect demand for stamp albums particularly,—indeed, philatelic accessories generally, the dealers being desirous of stocking goods of British manufacture. I found this to be the case in Milan and Genoa, both of which I visited and I have had a communication from Mr. A. G. Dell'Acqua, editor of *Il Corriere Filatelico,* now the leading stamp monthly in Italy. This gentleman probably will appoint Mr. Hugh Vallancey of *Stamp Collecting,* London, as buying agent and the assumption would be that *Il Corriere Filatelico* intends acting as wholesale sellers to the Italian dealers. I consider American goods in this line quite as good and attractive as British, surely as regards loose-leaf blank albums; and they could be turned out to meet this demand, which it would be no exaggeration to say, might apply not only to Italy but the rest of Europe as well. There could be one or two types of album, the one for advanced collectors to be interleaved with Jap tissue paper and the leaves themselves of a good quadrille paper, tough, but not too thick. A plain 'band border' would look well, too. Such interleaving would do away with a 'sunk mount' the object of which, of course, is to prevent friction." We anticipate a revival of stamp album publishing, now that restrictions under which publishers labored during the war are becoming less irksome and American album makers should widen their activities. In the encouragement of trade expansion, which now enlists general attention, philatelic manufacturers should take a part; and the vision of the markets of the world should inspire them to cover the philatelic world with their creations through the intermediary of reputable agents.

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Real—The following definition of the "fip" which was referred to recently in this column, from Mr. R. McP. Cabeen, Chicago, is so interesting that we must make place for it: "In the U. S. coinage, prior to 1800, among other foreign coins was the Spanish dollar (piece-of-eight) and its fractions, halves, quarters, fifths or pistareens, and eighths, (being the 'real,' 'ryall' or 'royall,' worth 12½ cents in New York, nine pence in New England (based on New England shilling of 16⅔ cents). In the middle colonies, including Pennsylvania, the Spanish dollar, in which the continental congress kept its accounts, equalled ninety pence and accounts read in dollars and ninetieths. A real then was about 11¼ pence, hence, eleven-penny-piece or 'levy,' and one-half of this was 5⅝ pence,—five-penny-piece, 'fippenny' or 'fip.' In Virginia and Maryland, there are people who still speak of 25 cents as 'two levies and a fip.' When Washington made his triumphal journey through the colonies, his greatest task was to keep a correct account of his expenditures; evidently, he started out with Philadelphia currency.

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Reason—A dealer says: "I notice that you are trying to correct conditions that allow of improvement in philately and I wish you all success in your mission. I have long been of the opinion that there have been too much jealousy in the trade and bickering among collectors and small stuff of the kind and I have tried as best I could to help matters. However, I have come to the conclusion that collectors are too temperamental to submit to ordinary rules of conduct and that they will go their own sweet way, regardless of what may be said and done. Temperament, you know, will cause the star to pull off the table cloth and smash the dishes,—" O, mercy.

UNPERFORATED OR IMPERFORATE.

Both Are Correct.

(We are using every endeavor to have our Philatelic Dictionary as free from errors as possible, and wishing to know whether the word "unperforated" could be properly used in connection with stamps that had never been perforated we wrote C. A. Howes, who is enough of an authority to satisfy us. We know that a wide circle of readers will be interested in Mr. Howe's findings that both unperforated or imperforate are correct.—W. O. W.)

I decidedly object to the statement that "unperforated" is an "erroneous synonym" for "imperforate". "Imperforate" is an adjective adopted from the French. "Imperforated" *is* erroneous, being an attempt to make a past participle of the adjective—which is entirely unnecessary. But "unperforated" is a perfectly proper "negative past participle", so to speak, used as an adjective. Its use is exactly analogous to the use of "unused". I know some "purists" who think they know as much about the English language as they claim to do about stamps, contend that an *"un* perforated" stamp is one that has had the perforations removed. Logically, then, an *un* used stamp would be one that had had the cancellation removed! No one in his right senses would deny that "unused" simply meant not used and *"unperforated"* likewise means *not* perforated. The prefix *un* is simply a negation as in "unfulfilled," "uncontaminated", etc. *When applied to a verb,* (the verb indicating action), the negation of course reverses the action, so that in "to make," "to unmake", "to lock," "to unlock," "to seat," "to unseat," we have the contention of the "purists" exemplified, but when we take the *past participles* of these negative verbs and use them as adjectives, what do we find? An "unmade visit," an "unlocked door," an "unseated member" would usually be taken to indicate that the action had *not* been performed rather than that it was *undone,* though with the two latter in certain cases the undoing could be properly meant. But we do not have a verb "to unuse," nor do we properly use the verb "to unperforate," which would mean to "take out perforations" (*not* to "clip them off")—a rather difficult stunt.

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"DEEP CALLETH UNTO DEEP."

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When I wrote, in a recent WEEKLY, of the lure of philatelic literature, I little thought the trivial paper would be productive of so great interest to the philatelist-literarian. The incentive to garner the literary out-put of the present day presses while Opportunity has not ceased knocking at our doors seems to have spread beyond the wildest dreams. I had thought a few—a very few—might become interested, and here are scores, literally, clamoring for the literature of yester-year and today and anticipating the issues of the morrow. Good hunting all!

In this paper, too, I made more than mention of my file of *The London Philatelist*, with its bound first volume,—always a grief to me. The Discerning One, and the Friendly, out of the kindness of his generous soul, immediately wrote me, and an unbound file of this first volume now reposes on the table nearby,—a reminder of the ancient adage regarding advertising,—and, I may add, especially in the WEEKLY. I hope the editor will forgive me the self-imposed obligation of using his columns to present my woes; my pleasures take care of themselves, and need no further mention.

I would impress upon the novice in the collection of philatelic literature the absolute necessity of collating his books, brochures, and periodicals. I have not always made this a practice. It is essential, however, to the perfectness of one's collection. In purchasing a file of a magazine,—an old publication, particularly,—it is well to go over it, page by page, to see if anything is missing. I have several times been rewarded for exercising care in the matter, finding in one instance an entire page gone, and in another an item clipped bodily from the center of the page. The dealer from whom I obtained the papers, somewhat chagrined, was glad indeed to replace the missing "items" with perfect copies. It is absolutely impossible for any dealer who has tons of philatelic publications on sale to collate every trivial bit that comes to him. Rarities, as a matter of course, he makes a practice of giving careful inspection. This scrutiny is oftimes rewarded, too. Perhaps a rare autograph letter,—an "association copy" of a publication,—a volume enriched with notes,—may be his reward.

Who would not value a book from the library of Mr. Pemberton,—of Dr. Gray,—of Mr. Booty,—of the Rev. Mr. Stainforth,—or our own dear John Walter Scott! And, speaking of the American pioneer, what has become of his library? It was sold in New York, in a very quiet way. I did not receive a copy of the catalogue listing it, although as a rule I have been deluged, in the old days, with lists plus lists. Now that Canada Revenues, and our Match stamps (thanks to Christopher West's delightful and altogether charming and scholarly papers in the WEEKLY) and literature alone appeal,—well, there's no money in it for the dealer! Friendliness does not pay returns of the financial sort,—always; but there are exceptions.

It was so long ago as the Centennial year—and I had not quite passed youth's second lustrum—when I received from St. Louis a copy of a little colored pamphlet, *The St. Louis Philatelist.* It was the house-organ of E. F. Gambs, and it priced United States stamps, including M. and M. The valuations would cause one now-a-days to gasp; but in those days the scarcity of collectors and the plentitude of stamps did not warrant sky-high valuations. With conditions now reversed,—well, is it not advisable for the collector of small means to guard himself? There are always countries that lure one on,—and brochures about those countries. But, should the literature be negligible, the collector may well turn author,—and there's another volume for the library!

The St. Louis Philatelist is a scarce item, these days. My file is still incomplete. It was issued seemingly on impulse, as the exigencies of business demanded, and its circulation was such that few copies were preserved to posterity. As a bit of philatelic history, however, it would well repay the collector to preserve to himself the issues that may turn up. Perhaps he can trade in with other collectors, should duplicates come to him, and complete his files.

Several years ago a certain periodical made some comments upon *The Arizona Philatelist,* and quoted freely from its initial issue. I hope I betray no confidence when I say an unavailing search for the magazine's whereabouts was richly rewarded; there never was such an animal! The comment and quotations were the review-work of a joker,—which now seems somewhat prosaic,—especially in view of the fact that one collector wasted much time, little money, and gained experience of informative value.

Who has his MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS complete? And who has not? Mine was garnered from the four corners, but it is not yet collated. That is postponed to one of those dimly distant days when I shall have much time and greater inclination; I'm fearful I shall find an issue missing! That were calamity indeed. In its pages is all the thought of modern philately. Here are retained and preserved the histories of the people and publications that have made our cause scientific. I value my file above all else.

One of the side-lines to philatelic literature collecting is the acquisition of autograph letters with which to enrich one's volumes. I have few,—very few; for I hope I am not one of those ebullient collectors burdensome to his fellows,—unless the exception be the editor of the WEEKLY; he will keep silence, I know! But to possess these bits of correspondence adds to the joy of the volume. I once received a most charming autograph letter from W. S. Lincoln, of London, regarding the Rev. Mr. Stainforth. I preserved it carefully, and read and reread it. Then one day it disappeared, and has been seen no more. Oh brother collector! Think you it is fair to me to possess my treasure? I cannot hope for its duplicate. Might you, present possessor, favor the bereft with a copy, in your best typewritermanship,—to coin a word? Be generous!

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If you have not the love of these bits of literature,—these waifs and strays,—it were better not to collect at all. They are the flotsam and the jetsom of our hobby,—the foundations upon which its literature has been builded. For me, I do sincerely love the little things as well as the great; for of such is the Kingdom of Collecting.

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UNITED STATES.—Since the appearance of our notes regarding the 3c error envelope printed in black, many of our correspondents have submitted varieties in deep purple and have asked if these were the errors in question. For the benefit of all would state that your editor has seen this black envelope and it is absolutely black without the slightest tinge of purple. If you have an envelope that you think is the error, and there is the least doubt in your mind, be sure you have not the variety, for when you have the real thing there is no doubt.

In previous issues we described the 3c type II and the 1c surface print, imperforated between the outer horizontal row and the margin. The Economist Stamp Company sends us the 3c type IV surface print from the upper left pane of sheet 9334 in a somewhat similar condition. In the latter case, however, the top row of horizontal perforations are to be found 15 mm. above the design of the stamp, giving us one row of stamps, normal in width and 40 mm. in height.

We have chronicled a sheet of the 1c engraved, perf. 11, unwatermarked, having a hundred and ten subjects and judge similar sheets of the 2c stamp must exist, for Mr. George P. Smith writes that he has seen a sheet of ninety (9 x 10) rows, with good wide margins at the left of the sheet, showing the perforations just at the very edge.

Several weeks back Mr. James P. Cooper called our attention to a pair of the 1912 1c green, imperforated on single line watermarked paper showing the letters of the watermark 19 mm. apart instead of normal. Off hand this looked like a new variety but in looking over numerous large blocks, I found several showing this spacing which simply means that the letters were not all uniformally spaced on the dandy roll.

In looking over these blocks, however, your editor discovered that there are two very distinct types of the single line watermarked paper made from two very different dandy rolls. In one type the letters are small, being 11 mm. high and each one is well formed. The ends of the "S" are well curved. In the second type the letters are fully 13 mm. high, and the ends of the "S" are not curved, being almost horizontal. These differences prevail throughout the sheet and are not peculiar to one or two stamps only.

Mr. A. S. Davenport reports that he has found the $1 Stock Transfer, surcharged in red, reading down. It will be recalled that the red surcharge is the first issue and to date we do not remember seeing this stamp except with surcharge reading up.

The same correspondent also sends us a brown paper cover taken from a package holding several packs of cards, and upon this wrapper we find printed in red "Internal Revenue Paid 7 cents per pack." No other inscription whatsoever appears. A somewhat similar cover was previously chronicled. These were without doubt used in order to name the time of stamping cards already packed and stamped at the old rate.

Mr. Davenport has located a great number of new provisional tax paid varieties and we hope to receive a list from him in the near future.

We wish to thank Messrs. Harman Wendell, George Soulman, William Cline and Prof. M. Lewy for additional notes of interest.

CEYLON.—Although the War Stamps of the first issue were speedily exhausted as stated in our February list, fresh printings were subsequently made. We have carefully examined the new consignment with those first received and cannot detect any appreciable difference, either in shade of stamps or the overprint.—*Whitfield King & Co.'s Monthly List.*

CILICIA.—M. Dicranian advises us that he is receiving an Armenian paper from Adana stamped with 2p or 4p 1913 Turkish picture stamps surcharged CILICIE with rubber stamp. He writes that he has also seen Scott's Turkey 346 10pa carmine, commemorative issue of 1916, with the same surcharge.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.—The 5 centavos magenta and black has just come out with surcharge 1917 in red, rather late, if we consider that we are already in 1919.—HERMANN FOCKE.

ESTHONIA.—Mr. Edward Locher has shown us copies of the following values of this country. They are all imperforate and have the values at each corner with the words EESTI POST within a frame in the middle.

5k salmon.
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All are printed on white paper and the two last values have the figures of the value at the bottom of the stamp and appear only once.

GREAT BRITAIN.—The Secretary, G. P. O., London, informs us that the issue of 8d postage stamps has been discontinued for the present and that no stocks remain on hand.—*Whitfield King & Co.'s Monthly List.*

A. N. Caudell sends us a photograph of the 1d No. 79 in used condition. It shows the postmark "Manchester Au. 25, 1880" and Mr. Caudell maintains that this is evidence that the date assigned to it in Scott's catalog of 1881 is incorrect. The photograph taken is of a post card and the written date upon the reverse side is also Au. 25 1880.

JUGO-SLAVIA.—We understand that the letters "S. H. S.", which have been overprinted on the stamps of Hungary by the Jugo-Slavs, signify "Serbia, Croatia, Slavonia", otherwise the Serbo-Croat state.—*Scott's Monthly Circular.*

MESOPOTAMIA.—A Bagdad correspondent states that the next overprint to be employed here is "MOSUL IN BRITISH OCCUPATION." We, however, incline to the opinion that he has made this statement under a misapprehension. The probability is that he had heard of the impending issue of a new series for the Mosul District, but these bear simply the initials "I. E. F. D."—*Stamp Collecting.*

NICARAGUA.—The 15 centavos value of the present series was reported some time ago with red surcharge "Vale—5 centavos—de cordoba" in three lines, and the same value comes now with three different new surcharges in black, as follows: Vale—medio centavo, un centavo, and cinco centavos—de cordoba. This ought to please any specialist in this country of prolific surcharges.—HERMANN FOCKE.

PHILLIPINES.—Mr. Philip Ward, Jr., advises us that he has been shown by J. M. Bartels the following stamps recently issued:—20c special delivery, blue, perf. 11, no watermark. Also a booklet (2 leaves) of the 6c purple, perf. 11, no watermark.

Last week we chronicled a new aero cancellation used here in the Islands and we are now also indebted to O. S. Cole of Manila for information relative to the same.

POLAND.—It should be noted that the solitary value chronicled by us a fortnight ago is 7½pf orange stamp of Germany, with the numerals "25" in heavy black type. None of the other re-overprinted provisionals have new value expressed.—*Stamp Collecting.*

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"In your current issue you ask what has become of the late Mr. Wm. Shakespeare's collection of stamps, and kindly invite me to trace its fate and give you chapter and verse for it. The Bard's answer is as follows:—

All that could be found . . . . . .
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—*II. Henry IV. 4—3.*
In the *Puttock's* nest.
—*II. Henry VI. 3—2.*
And now there rest.
—*I. Henry VI. 2—1.*
I' the world's volume. —*Cymbeline 3—4.*
I know my price. —*Othello 1—1.*
Three thousand ducats; well.
—*Merchant of Venice 1—3.*
There's money for thee!
—*Twelfth Night 4—1.*

"Evidently," continues Mr. Peggs, "Shakespeare was well satisfied with the price realised, because we read:—

Report speaks goldenly of his profit.
—*As You Like It 1—1.*

"I hope there is no objection to my giving particulars of this transaction, but it is rather ominous to read in *Othello* 2—1:

But I'll set down the pegs that make this music!

I think, however, it will take a nobler figure than Iago to "set down" one who is "such an honest chronicler" (Henry VIII. 4—2) so "full of wise saws and modern instances" (As You Like It 2—7) and never a "bringer of unwelcome news" (Henry IV. Part II. 1—1). We shall hear more of his unconsidered trifles, depend on't; but never a one better than "the Puttock's nest." That was a "find," indeed!—*Stamp Collector's Fortnightly.*

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Die approved, November, 1879.
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Our Dealer Friend.

"I notice your editorial asking which shall it be, an increase in subscription price or an increase in advertising rates because of the continued high cost of paper, printing, and labor, etc.

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"Have been trying to get an opportunity to cover the matter of advance in price of printing the WEEKLY for several weeks but my time has been so occupied have put it off from day to day, but it's proving pretty expensive procrastination and feel I must take it up again with you today. Printers in Portland are becoming as avaricious as in most trades in this and other sections of our country and altho the compositors have received a substantial increase already this year, are now out after another and still larger increase and even at this writing negotiations are under way between the employing printers of this city and the local typographical Union and an early conference shows that a material increase will have to be met and that I shall certainly have to make a 10% advance on the present price and possibly more in the fall, according to what adjustments can be effected.

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I can hardly see how I can do better than the increase mentioned for the present, and will have to let conditions determine what I can best do in the fall. This is a rather hastily put up argument, but I must know where I stand at an early date and trust you can see and appreciate my position."

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CHARACTERISTIC CANCELLATIONS ON THE 3c GREEN.

By CHARLES A. NAST.

(This timely article by Mr. Nast will be made the concluding chapter in the second edition of Wiley's "3c Green." This book is now being printed and will be ready shortly. Mr. Nast's article will add a great deal to the interest in this book, which has been one of the most popular we have produced.—W. O. W.)

It has been suggested that a short article on the growing fad of collecting U. S. stamps for their cancellations would make a fitting addenda to the scientific and historical sketch of the preceding pages, especially so as the 3c green offers a wonderful field in this departure and yields a greater variety in this respect than any other stamp.

Nothing is truer than the fact of evolution in philatelic ideals and the fashions of postage stamp collecting. There was a time when only used stamps were collected, and i made little difference as to the resultant condition so long as the little bit of paper had performed its office. After a while there was a well defined objection in certain quarters against collecting used stamps which had been disfigured by the ink and smudge of the cancelling device. The discriminating collector appeared, the one who collected only used specimens but demanded that they be "lightly cancelled". This really was the happy medium between the two extremes. From this position, however, it was only a step to the "town" and "dated" cancellation, and then slowly but surely the historic value of the obliteration began to be realized. Today cancelled stamps of the old U. S. issues are rated according to the color, design, clearness of impression and the meaning and purpose of the cancellation marks they bear, and are priced for their beauty and definiteness independent of any catalog. So it is not surprising that the 3c green with a record of seventeen years' constant use should come in for a goodly show of attention and study in our day.

In the beginning of its service, all the forms and figures for cancelling the older issues were still in use, but soon a distinctive class of steel die hand cancellors, peculiarly adapted to its size came into use. Here and there one picks up occasionally specimens cancelled with the old fanciful cork designs of starry form, but the great mass of cancellations on the 3c green which are characteristic of the period of its use, consists broadly of Numerals and Letters in a circle surrounded by an ellipse composed of either horizontal or vertical bars, tho, as will be shown later, there are innumerable other designs. I might say, parenthetically, that all the designs found on the 3c green are also found on the 2c vermilion, 2c green, 2c brown, and the 1c blue stamps of the corresponding period, and these latter are fast coming into favor, but it is with the 3c green only that the present article is concerned.

There is some difference of opinion among specialists in this stamp, as to their proper arrangement in the album. Dr. H. G. Holch who was one of the first to collect these cancellations, adheres to the numbers in the catalog. This, I find, makes for duplication on hard and soft papers and the several divisions accorded the National, Continental, and American companies. The grilled stamp, of course is in a class by itself, but in my own practice, leaving the grills aside, I divide all the cancellations on the 3c green into two grand divisions, viz.: First, all papers and printings, indiscriminately from Die I and secondly, the re-engraved followed at the end, by its successor, the 3c vermilion.

After all it is the cancellations we are collecting and not stamps, and as there is neither watermark nor perforation to disturb us, it is just what the eye can take in at a glance.

Taking then, my own collection as a guide I will explain the different sections as they appear, bearing in mind that all now enumerated are from die I, the cancellings done by steel dies and are in black ink always, except where otherwise designated; and finally that this check list of the first various printings can without much change, be used for the re-engraved division.

To begin, let us take the numerals having horizontal bars. Numbers 1, 2, 3 are plentiful and as they ascend, especially after 10, specimens, grow scarcer. My highest is 40, but the late lamented Charles E. Jenney, who was a student in this line, wrote that he had No. 48 and he thought they ran as high as 52 as some concurrent stamps were found with

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Senegal 1913, 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 15	.15
Somali Coast 1915-17, 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 15..	.15
1915, Post. Dues, 5, 10, 15	.10
Togo 1916-17, 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 15	.15
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this number. The next section consists of the same numerals, but with vertical bars and these are extremely rare, especially in the first die I printings. I have seen only Nos. 1 to 6 inclusive. It should be remembered that of each of the foregoing there are many varieties of the figures. I have at least a dozen different 1's and nearly as many figures 2 and 3, and this is what adds zest and interest to their collection. One never grows less keen because a dozen different styles of a single numeral grace the page, because any moment another variety may appear. It is a never ending pleasure.

Section III. Taking my own and the collection of Mr. A. K. McDaniel as a basis present numerals from 1 to 11, in the same circle surrounded by another, the two rings about 10 mm. apart filled in with horizontal bars. Any higher number would indeed be a rarity. Next we have numerals of generally very large size surrounded by *three* concentric rings. These are also known from 1 to 11. This is again followed by the same numbers surrounded by *four* concentric rings. I know this variety only from 1 to 8. The figures are smaller as a rule. The next section presents all the varieties of the two, three and four circles cancelled in blue, and a prettier page it would be hard to find. I have never seen any blue cancellations of the three rings variety tho they may exist, and of the four rings in blue, I have only one specimen, the figure 2.

And now we come to a cancellation that started with the 3c green and is characteristic of this stamp to a large degree. I refer to the colorless cancellations. These are great big daubs of ink sometimes nearly covering the stamp, but in the center the numeral stands out clean and clear. I do not think these were applied with a steel dauber nor cork, as the outlines are too clear cut, but I am of the opinion they were made of box wood. Nos. 1 to 13 are not uncommon but anything higher than this is a scarce item. These punches are sometimes round and sometimes square and these are what are known as double circle and double square varieties, in each of which plenty of ink surrounds the colorless figure. They are known as high as 22 after which there is a break till 75, 76, 77, 78 and 79 are reached, these are known as colorless "year dates". Mr. Jenney had all. I have seen only 76 and 79.

Now let us turn back and instead of "numerals" substitute "letters". All the letters from A to L are found with horizontal bars and also the letter W but between L and W there is a great dearth which only extraordinary luck will fill up. Letters with vertical bars are frequently met with from A to L. Personally I have no knowledge of any higher letter tho they may exist. The colorless sections also present a splendid array from A to L after which M N P S and W are a little scarcer. The omitted letters likely exist also, but I have only seen Q.

The next consists of compound letters. I have U.S., PA. and PO. all three occur with horizontal bars, the last two also with vertical bars. Many of these latter bear also the year date ranging from 79 to 86 but are extremely scarce.

The stars appear next. These are of all sizes, and in some cases a smaller star is enclosed by a larger one. I have seen also the letters US in the center of a star. Some have wings about them and are often seen in red, purple, and blue. Steel dies very likely.

Maltese crosses of various shapes come next. These in turn are followed by "targets" of every kind, and the "grid-iron" cancellations found in blue, red, purple as well as black. Then a page of "town" and "dates", a section of "arrows" and then for want of a better name what I call "quarterings". By this I mean the cork cancellation, divided into four parts by colorless lines at right angles, followed by the "cork constellation", these are the "quarterings" divided into eight divisions of various shapes, giving us the famous starry-like form. Sometimes they look like cogwheels, but always when clear cut, they present a fine appearance. Many of these are taken over from the cancelling punches used on the 3c stamp of the '57 issue.

Mr. Wiley particularly mentions the PAID cancellation and I agree with him as to its rarity. I have a copy in which the letters composed of open lines, are surrounded by a circle. Judge Jas. K. Doughty has shown me this in Roman type diagonally across the stamp.

But there are still many other odd and unique things in this department. I have endeavored here to give only what may be found in quantity and which are with a little search within the reach of all.

Finally, there is a large class of extremely scarce cancellations that turn up occasionally but not numerous enough to classify such as flags, shields, masonic emblems, stove pipe hats, dogs' and birds' heads, skull and cross bones, anchors, linked chains, etc., etc., etc., and it is safe to say that no other stamp offers such a splendid variety of interesting cancellations. In conclusion, I beg to append a tentative check list, but it must be remembered that the same list given here is, with one or two omissions, to be duplicated for the stamps of the re-engraved division.

Check List.

1.—Cancellations on Grilled stamps.
2.—Numerals with horiz. bars.
3.—Numerals with vertical bars.
4.—Numerals in two circles with horiz. bars.
5.—Numerals in three concentric rings.
6.—Numerals in four concentric rings.
7.—Numerals in blue ink.
8.—Colorless Numerals.
9.—Letters with horiz. bars.
10.—Letters with vertical bars.
11.—Colorless Letters.
12.—Compound Letters two or more.
13.—Stars.
14.—Maltese Crosses.
15.—Targets and pin wheels.
16.—Quarterings and Geometric figures.
17.—Octagon, wheel and starlike cancellations.
18.—Cork cancellations in blue ink.
19.—Dates and town cancellations.
20.—Extreme rarities, strips and blocks.

With the exception of the first section, all the others may be found on the re-engraved, 3c green; tho some sections are very scarce, notably Nos. 6, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 16, 17, and 18.

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By PETER A. BRANNON.

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A plane left Montgomery every morning about 10 o'clock Central time, and Macon every morning about 9.30 Eastern time, and with a few exceptions made the trip each way in about two and a half hours. The distance is 155 miles in a direct line. The shortest time made was two hours 10 minutes.

On the third day of the effort, orders were given to stop at Columbus, Georgia going both ways, and leave and receive mail. On the first trip the aviator from Macon made a landing at Columbus, but damaged his machine. However, he continued his flight after minor repairs and landed in Montgomery only 30 minutes late. On this day, the aviator from Montgomery did not stop at Columbus. On the second day, the aviator from Montgomery, knowing the small landing field at Columbus inadequate, did not stop, but dropped his mail pouch in the grounds of the post office building and continued his flight. No further efforts were made to carry mail to Columbus. The service between Montgomery and Macon continued the entire week, and while the bulk of the mail was not large, amounting to 114 letters and several large size packages out of Montgomery and about the same amount of mail out of Macon, between these two cities, and a relatively small amount out of Macon to Columbus and out of Montgomery to Columbus, the service can be said to have been a decided success.

I sent by the first pouch out of Montgomery, 20 of the 36 letters. Not all of them went to Macon, in fact, the majority of them went through Macon to other points in the country, and I have heard from them all, and have had many of the envelopes returned to me as souvenirs of the occasion. During the rest of the week, I sent possibly 40 other letters,—in fact the majority of the mail carried out of this office was mine. The contents of the mail pouch dropped at Columbus on the second day of the attempt to serve that city was only one letter. That was mine and I have received the cancelled envelope, as well as the label used on the mail pouch at that time.

On the Thursday before the closing of the service on Saturday, a plane was sent from Macon to Atlanta at 10 a. m. that morning and returning during the afternoon. It carried a very good mail each way on all three of the days, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Luckily for we collectors, the Atlanta office used a distinctive stamp. I have several of my envelopes which were sent from here to Macon thence to Atlanta by aeroplane having laid over in Macon during the night after receipt in Macon, and gone on to Atlanta on the next day, and they show the stamp in two lines in red ink

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By THEODORE H. AMES.

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As the above provisional stamps were needed, made, and used in the Faroe Islands, for a legitimate purpose, altho without the sanction of the home Government, it would seem that this variety of stamp can be considered under no heading but the "Faroe Islands", which gives us one more country to add to our albums.

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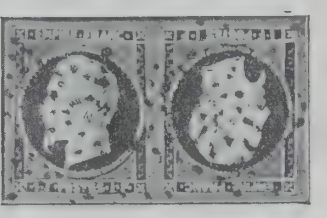

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Waste—From Mr. A. H. Robertson, Chase City, Va., we have received a current three cent stamp that literally is blotted out of existence; and he wants to know what gave the postal clerk his grouch. Spare the postal clerk, as he is not guilty of pounding out the lives of postage stamps with his obliterator. Occasionally, an indignant correspondent who used desirable stamps on his letter to a foreign friend sends in the cover which has been returned by the recipient, the stamps on which have been black-handed into complete mourning. We took up one of these cases with the department and it was proved that the sombre aspect of the stamps was due to the fact that the clerk was "trying out" his dauber on the stamps and getting the ink to run consistently. No postal clerk would become enthusiastic enough to pommel an humble three-center and we do not blame him for his repression. If there is any class of workers who deserve better of our government than the postal clerks, we cannot name it.

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Wedding—On May 8, 1919, the marriage of A. William Bloss and Edna Eloise Ross took place in Chicago and Mr. and Mrs. Bloss are now at home at 1357 Berwyn Avenue, in that city. Now that Bill has taken the momentous step, no doubt he will find time, in the abode of domestic bliss, to pursue his philatelic literary work with augmented zeal. Indeed, he has become the editor of the *Stamp Herald* and thus enlarges his horizon, but as the WEEKLY was his first love, our columns will know him still. Needless to say, we, with our readers, wish the Blosses all happiness.

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Well—We are pleased to find that in a departmental order, dated May 26th, the Third Assistant Postmaster General tells how collectors may secure the postage stamps, surcharged, "Shanghai China," that we announced recently. He explains that as the stamps are to be sold only at Shanghai, "the best method to obtain the surcharged stamps is to remit their value, with return postage and registry fee to the order of the U. S. Postal Agent, Shanghai, China." The stamps will be sent "in paraffin paper to prevent them from sticking prematurely." While the rate of exchange for "Mexican" money varies, "it will probably be advisable to calculate it at 125. At this rate of exchange, eighty cents should be remitted to the U. S. Postal Agent in Shanghai for each $1 worth of stamps at their surcharged value." The department says that inasmuch as the anticipated demand for the ten cent special delivery stamp is almost negligible, it has been decided to omit this stamp from the list as printed in the departmental order, dated May 6th. We are pleased that the department is taking an intelligent recognition of the interests of stamp collectors and instructions to use paraffin paper, for the wrapping of the stamps will be gratefully received by philatelists, many of whom have had sad experiences with unused stamps from oriental countries.

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Mention—About this time, the department's announcement of a change in the prices of some of the two cent stamped envelopes, the normal demand for which will be restored on July 1st, is pertinent. The prices on some envelopes will be increased under a new contract for stamped envelopes that becomes effective on July 1st and is reduced on other envelopes. Postmasters are enjoined to get their orders in early to avoid the rush. The passing of the three cent adhesive stamp as our closest companion will not be regretted on the score of economy; and now, those who began to collect the purple stamp intensively, from the beginning may give themselves a moment of self-approval, as their complete philatelic record of the stamps has a tinge of the historical.

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Moved—Several communications have come to us as a consequence of our recent paragraphs on national society affairs. We are pleased to see that interest is being taken in the organizations, which, for many years, vicariously, at least, have been the guardians of philately in this country. Our suggestion that the A. P. S., for instance be made more mobile in its action is commended and an officer submits a tentative proposal for accomplishing this end. A means for effecting legislation during the time between conventions is necessary and must be provided. From Mr. Fred R. Schmalzriedt, we have received the notice:

"The Detroit Philatelic Society regrets that you decline to accept a nomination for President of the A. P. S. However, at our last meeting the following ticket was nominated: President. Carroll Chase, New York; Board of Vice Presidents, T. R. Hungerford, H. F. Dunkhorst, and J. B. Leavy, all of Washington, D. C.; Secretary, Dr. H. A. Davis, Colorado; Treasurer, J. E. Scott, Michigan; International Secretary, Philip Dengler, Pennsylvania; Directors at Large, H. B. Phillips, Colorado, Alvin Good, Ohio.

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Wanted—From Mr. C. W. Goddard, Kalkaska, Michigan, the following letter has been received: "I wonder if any information is obtainable regarding safe keeping of a stamp collection as far as fire is concerned. Some night I may stop to save my wife and kids and forget to take my stamp collection. I have become afraid recently, and so, I have secured a small household type safe, principally to protect my stamps. On further thought, I recollect having seen commercial safes opened after fires, and upon observing the contents, saw that they were safely preserved, except that they may have been yellowed by smoke or gases that penetrated the safe. What would be the effect of much smoke or gases on a stamp collection? It seems to me that the collection would be much harmed. In a small house safe, the effect probably would be more pronounced than in the regular commercial size safe, even though the fire in a small-town dwelling might not be nearly as hot as that in a business block. Can someone tell me about stamp collections that have gone through a fire in ordinary small safes? Is there any further precautions that should be taken about wrapping up the albums, when putting them in a small safe, that will be of value? Also, I understand that in case of heat on a safe, the filling of the walls 'sweats' and forms a moisture inside the safe that is conducive to preservation of the contents from heat. If this is so what will this do to a stamp collection? Perhaps others would be interested in a little information along the lines indicated." It is likely that some testimony based on the foregoing questions, will be forthcoming. We have seen stamps that were not in collections removed from safes after a fire and the two cent red, 1903, in particular, we remember as having been reduced to a rich brown color. At the time of the San Francisco fire we recollect that a number of collections were saved because they were in vaults in the fire section; and there has been no outstanding tale of damage wrought to the stamps in a collection through a baptism of fire, in the confines of a safe. While the safe may not be the last word in security for a stamp collection, it is pretty near it. A word from the experienced is in order. We do not believe the phase of the question presented by Mr. Goddard has ever been discussed in the columns of the stamp press.

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—"I am inviting your attention to a recently issued publication, namely. Smithsonian Institution United States National Museum Bulletin 105, entitled 'Catalogue of the postage stamps and stamped envelopes of the United States and Possessions, issued prior to January 1, 1919', compiled by Joseph B. Leavy, Philatelist of the United States National Museum. You may have received a copy of this Bulletin just issued and if so, will doubtless comment upon its completeness, and the thoroughness and intelligence with which the author has handled the subject. Such a work is certainly a monument to our hobby, and a recognition of its worth from the highest source. Joseph B. Leavy certainly is to be commended and congratulated." —HENRY B. EVANS.

—The Maryland Philatelic Association held its first annual meeting recently and elected officers for its second year. The Association meets the first Thursday and the third Saturday in every month at the Y. M. C. A. Building Baltimore, Maryland. The new officers are: Robert N. Angier, president; H. H. Webster, vice-president; Stanley D. Chenoweth, secretary, and Miss Gertrude Paul, Jr., treasurer.

—The Philatelic Section, Maryland Academy of Sciences, has been formally organized and is meeting the second and fourth Friday of every month at the Academy Building, 105 West Franklin Street, Baltimore, Md. This Section represents the first formal recognition of the scientific aspect of philately by a scientific academy anywhere in the United States and probably in the world. It will be the aim of the members to develop philately along scientific lines and a definite program to this end is being mapped out. The officers are, C Lat. Wilhelm, chairman; M. B. Smith vice-chairman, and Frank G. Duffield, secretary-treasurer.

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—George C. Rockfellow informs us that he has received a reply to his communications sent Wm. Fabick of Olympia, Wash.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from Wyndham Hayward, L. W Bealer, A. M. McFadden, Herman W. Boers.

—The latest in the hinge situation is Stanton's "Peerless Circular." Samples have been sent us and the merits of the hinge are presented elsewhere in this issue. Give them a trial.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

TROUBLE FOR THE PRINTER.

By H. P. ATHERTON.

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Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—The Post Office Department is receiving quite a few letters suggesting a Peace issue and it would not be surprising if the proper officials are giving the matter serious consideration. Numerous subjects are being mentioned, to be depicted on the several denominations. A series of four values, say a 1c, 2c, 5c and 10c would not be unwelcome, especially if the stamps were more pleasing from an artistic point of view than the present Victory stamp.

It will be recalled that several months back, the Post Office Department issued orders discontinuing the use of the special cancellations for aeroplane mail. Numerous letters from societies and collectors have resulted in the department rescinding its old order, and beginning May 14th, the old cancellers were again placed in use. It is of interest to note that the following day, May 15th, was the first anniversary of the inauguration of the air mail service.

During the last several weeks we have mentioned numerous errors, freaks and other varieties in the way of envelopes. The Nassau Stamp Co. now advises that they have located a 2c circular die in connection with the 4c oval die on white. The 2c impression appears in its proper place on the front of the envelope while the 4c is on the back. They also show us the 1c circular die on the 2c oval on two separate envelopes, wherein the impressions are on the inside upper left corner. The latter two are also on white. Mr. James Whiteside has shown the 3c circular die wherein only half of the stamp is colored, the balance being embossed without color. An odd thing about this envelope is the fact that the color, which is missing, is to be found on the flap of the next envelope.

We have described in previous issues a sheet of 110 of the 1c engraved and a sheet of 90 of the 2c. Mr. B. K. Miller now writes to state that he has obtained a sheet of 90 of the 4c perforated 11 on unwatermarked paper, same being found in a Western post office. In describing this, Mr. Miller states that the pane contains 90 stamps "but 100 perforated spaces, 10 of which are blank. What occurred was, apparently the sheet was put through the perforating machine so that the knife cut the pane at the bottom of the 9th horizontal row, instead of the 10th; consequently the horizontal top row of the pane is perforated and there is a line of 10 blank squares cut in the imprinted margin. Each of the 10 blank spaces is perforated on all four sides." The sheet in question is from the upper right pane of sheet No. 7972.

Mr. H. E. Atchley informs us that he has located a block of the 3c Victory stamp from sheet 9426 wherein a slight crack is shown running diagonally from the upper right to the lower left of the stamps through the figures "3".

The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us several new revenues which have not been noted heretofore. In the way of "NARCOTIC" surcharges, they have located the New York provisional $1 green surcharged as per our previous description in black by means of a rubber stamp The surcharge reads down. Mr. Sterns states that he understands all values of the documentary series through the $1000 value, with the exception of the 20c, have received this overprint. We have seen and chronicled all up to and including the $1 but will await with interest a sight of the higher denominations.

The same company also shows us the 8c and 10c with printed surcharge, which overprinting, by the way, was done at the Bureau. Heretofore we had seen but the 1c and 2c.

1919 New York Provisional "Narcotic" Revenue. Black handstamp surcharge.
$1 green.
1919 "Narcotic" Bureau Print. Black surcharge.
8c rose.
10c rose.

This firm also shows us a number of "Future Delivery" and "Stock Transfer" revenues but these we have previously chronicled. It may be a coincidence, but it is odd to note that the very denominations which they have are the varieties that your editor has in his collection. This leads us to ask if the other lacking values were really issued. We have not seen the following which are mentioned in the Bureau's annual report and we would like to know if they exist. If any of our readers have these we would appreciate it if they will kindly write us. The lacking varieties are "Future Delivery" 25c, 50c and 80c and "Stock Transfer" 1c, 25c and 40c. We have tried hard to locate these six stamps but without success and are beginning to doubt their existence.

We have chronicled the new blue Playing Card revenue and have mentioned several varieties of surcharge. Mr. Albert C. Reukauff now sends us this stamp rouletted in red, the same being cancelled in a similar color "R. P. C. Co.—4-28-'19". The similarity in color of the surcharges and roulette, coupled with the fact that we have seen this stamp part rouletted and part perforated, leads us to believe that the Bureau issues these in imperforated sheets and the card manufacturer separates them to suit himself.

Mr. George Soulman submits for our inspection, a copy of the 80c Documentary in pink, series of 1914, with a distinct double print, similar to the 1c, 3c and 40c of the current issue. This is the only denomination of the 1914 series that we have ever heard of with a double impression. It may be of interest to mention that the second impression is much lighter and to the right of the main impression.

We wish to thank Prof. M. Loewy and Messrs. H. E. Rundel, L. J. Ragatz and Gerald Mongeon for notes of interest

AUSTRIA.—Mr. Charles S. Thompson advises that he has just received stamps of this country surcharged diagonally in *real* Gothic letters "Deutschöterreich". These are the 10h arms type, and the 20h Charles.

BOLIVIA.—To those who are fond of calculating the comparative values of stamps, according to the numbers issued the following table, for which I am indebted to Champion's *Monthly Bulletin*, may be of interest. The stamps in question are the new issue, the vignettes of all values showing the Bolivian National Arms. The total facial value of the issue is limited to 824,000 bolivianos, which is divided among the various denominations as follows: 1c rose. 1,450,000; 5c green, 1,500,000; 10c red, 1,500,000; 20c blue, 500,000; 22c sky blue 1,000,000; 24c violet, 1,000,000; 50c orange, 50,000.—THEODORE H. AMES.

BOSNIA.—Mr. Charles S Thompson has just received a cover with the three stamps issued to commemorate the assassination of Franz Ferdinand in Serajevo. The postmark, bearing the date "28 VI 17", is in *red*, and was in use but one day. This date was of course the third anniversary of the shooting; rather a gruesome method of perpetuating the memory of the royal removal which led to the war!

CANAL ZONE.—Wednesday, May 7, a Victory Loan submarine mail service was employed between Cristobal and Balboa for the purpose of despatching mail containing subscriptions to the Victory Loan. The U. S. S. C-3 was used, and was the first ever employed in this manner. J. P. Coveleski sends us clippings from local papers dealing with the service and informs us that 1855 applications for Liberty Bonds resulted from the enterprise of the local postal officials.

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Mr. Coveleski also calls our attention to certain varieties recently found in the current issue of envelopes, as follows:—

"The latest error of the Canal Zone is the current issue envelopes of the 1c and 2c denominations. As far as I could learn there are not over 15 of each that were discovered. They were found at the different P. O's. in the Canal Zone. There were several issued to the public before the error was noticed. The errors are as described as follows:—

Envelopes of the 1c denomination, containing the head and Canal Zone only, the stamp is omitted.

Envelopes of the 2c denomination, containing the head and Canal Zone only, the stamp is omitted.

Envelopes of the 2c denomination, containing the stamp only, without the head and Canal Zone. The center of the stamp is blank.

Envelopes of the 2c denomination, having the head and Canal Zone off of the stamp. The center of the stamp is blank.

CAPE JUBY.—It is stated that the entire current series of Spain is in process of being overprinted for this territory. —*Stamp Collecting.*

CILICIA.—We are informed by Mr. Chas. S. Thompson that he has received covers, one bearing three, the other six copies of Turkey No. 347, with the hand-stamped surcharge CILICIE, 4mm. high, and 17½ mm. long. The postmark has the name and date in both Roman and Arabic characters, and the additional postmark, in double-lined circle, CONTROLE POSTAL and across centre CILICIE. The surcharge has evidently been rather laboriously applied, and is at the bottom of the stamp, across the tablet bearing the dates 1331-1381, in every case. Thus a new country must be listed in our albums and catalogs. Lest some reader may be unfamiliar with the location of this new stamp-issuing country, it will be sufficient to say that Cilicia is in the south-eastern part of Asia Minor, adjacent to Syria, and about opposite Cyprus. Judging from the postmarks, it is within the French sphere of influence in Asia Minor.

FIUME.—We are informed by Mr. Charles S. Thompson that he has recently received 28 varieties of the Hungarian stamps surcharged FIUME in Roman capitals 3 mm. high, the surcharge being 12½mm. long. Among them were various values of the "Reaper" type, with both colored and colorless numerals, "Parliament" type, Charity Stamps, Special Delivery, Newspaper, and Postage Dues.

Of the Kr. 10, Parliament Buildings, but 669 were issued, and some of the others are almost as rare. Several of the dues were found in Fiume in very small quantity, and consequently are also very scarce.

PANAMA.—We are indebted to J. P. Coveleski for the following items of news:—

"Recently one sheet of Scotts No. 196 was found with stamp No. 10 in the sheet imperforate between the top of the stamp and margin. It is the only one known with this error. I suppose you know that these stamps are placed in use again for the reason that the 2c stamp of the exposition series Scotts No. 206 is out of issue.

The error of the Panama 1p lake with inverted surcharge is not mentioned in any of the catalogues. I did not see the whole sheet, but by a block of six which is in my collection, is from the left centre of the sheet, contains the left margin showing mark of the American Bank Note Co. They are stamps No. 31, 32, 41, 42, 51, 52, from the sheet. They all have the bar at the bottom."

SPAIN.—Senor Galvez mentions an unusual variety for those who are interested in Controls—viz., a block of the current 15 centimos, yellow, with three different "numerations" (the numbers on the back of the stamps)—P445.000, P443.000, and P453.000 How could one sheet have been issued with three, or perhaps more than three numbers? —*Stamp Collecting.*

SERBIA (569).—Our Royal contemporary lists a new set of stamps for this country.

In the centre appear double heads facing to left, somewhat similar to the lower values of the 1914 set, S. G. Type 15. There is also a postage due set of new design.

Adhesive. No wmk.; Perf. 11.	
1 para, black.	25 paras, dark blue.
2 paras, bistre-olive.	30 paras, grey.
5 paras, light yellow-green.	50 paras, lilac.
	1 dinar, brown.
10 paras, red.	3 dinars, blue-green.
15 paras, dark brown.	5 dinars, red-brown.
20 paras, brown.	
Postage Due. No wmk.; Perf. 11.	
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In dust of Armageddon war watchers can write history from envelopes—postage stamps last five years showing clearly events marched; any complete collection recording successive events. Russia under Lenin issued strange set Bolshevist stamps, weird cubist-like concepts symbolizing proletarianism! These seven days correspondent writes: "Next to the statesman and the politician few people will be more closely affected by the decisions of the Paris Conference than the stamp collector. During the next few weeks the eyes of the philatelic world will be anxiously following the deliberations of the Big Four in anticipation of political and territorial changes which must inevitably influence the postal issues of practically the whole world.

"With the dawn of peace, as conditions of commerce and communication revert to the normal, a flood of new postage stamps will be released from the world's stamp ateliers that will embrace almost every stamp-issuing country.

"In the former German overseas possessions of Togo, New Britain, Cameroons, East Africa, etc., the provisional 'occupation' stamps of Great Britain or France now current will shortly be withdrawn in favor of permanent issues under the ægis of one or other of the Entente Powers, while national postage stamps for Palestine, Syria, Mesopotamia and Armenia are among the philatelic possibilities of the immediate future. The Arab kingdom of Hedjaz is already provided for in this respect, as is also the Republican Government of Finland.

"Among the Allies many notable new issues are impending, whose advent has been delayed by the world-wide disruption of trade and transit. Brave little Belgium has in preparation a new general postage stamp series commemorating her liberation from the Prussian yoke.

"Italy has already signalized the restoration of her Irridentist provinces by imposing special overprints first upon the postage stamps of Austria, and, later, upon her own domestic series, reading respectively 'Venezia Giulia' for Trieste and 'Venezia Tridentia' for Trentino. Particular postage stamps of permanent design may be expected to supersede these local provisionals at no distant date.

"The political position of the Central Powers renders their need for new stamp designs even more acute. Germany in defeat and under a Republican Government will doubtless take the first opportunity of discarding the arrogant and warlike design of the existing stamps which have served under her Junker rule for the past eighteen years. It is noteworthy that these German stamps of the pre-war period were adorned—or disgraced—with the representation of Germania helmeted and armed while those of France portrayed a figure sowing grain on the land.

"In Bavaria the revolutionary party has banished the portrait of the Regent from the stamps of the kingdom. The disunion of the Austro-Hungarian monarchy is already reflected in the overprinting of the Hungarian postage stamps with the legend 'Koztarasasag' ('Hungrian Republic') and this inscription will in future be incorporated in the designs.

"Collectors are feverishly endeavoring to complete their sets of the historical stamps of war, preparatory to the coming deluge of the no less attractive postage stamps of peace."—*Boston Transcript.*

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May 20, 1919.

The meeting of the Society this evening was attended by 40 members and friends. The usual reports were read and Messrs. D. C. Alexander, W. M. Kennedy, Fred L. Dresser, Alfred C. Malm and John Howard Newton were elected to membership. The applications of Messrs. Nathaniel B. Davis and G. A. Balch for resident, and of Richard G. Badger, Jr., for junior membership were posted.

Those present learned with regret of the death of Mr. George H. Greeley. He had been a member since 1904 and until recently a regular attendant at the meetings.

Mr. A. P. Brown showed his collection of 20th century British Colonials which was practically complete and mounted in the neat, symmetrical manner which is characteristic of Mr. Brown. The recruiting committee has had a label printed in four colors which can be purchased and is of course designed for the purpose of advertising the Society. It is of neat design and is about 1¼"x1¾" in size. If you desire them for use on your mail apply to Mr. C. K. B. Nevin 6 Beacon St., for prices, etc.

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15c, No. 105	.10	15c, No. 400	.10
20c, No. 106	.13	20c, No. 401	.13
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The collecting of the precancelled proprietary stamps of the 1898 issue is not general, but it is very interesting and affords an opportunity for a study of the almost endless variety of names of the users, the dates, types, and minor varieties of type used. With few exceptions, there is apparently no limit to the number of dates used by each, but a number of proprietors had stamps cancelled at definite intervals. For example, J. C. Ayer Co., E. Fougera & Co., and Humphrey Homeopathic Medicine Co. changed once a month; Hall & Ruckel, and J. Elwood Lee Co., at the beginning of each year, Emerson Drug Co. every few days, while Keasbey & Mattison Co. as a rule, changed the dates twice a month.

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The rarest and most valuable series, is the provisional issue, "Dr. K. & Co. I. R." on the 1c, 2c, and 3c postage, 1895 issue. The Government did not have their stamps ready for general distribution until about the middle of July, 1898, so several firms used provisional labels until a supply could be obtained, and the firm of Dr. Kilmer & Co. of Binghampton, N. Y., had the postage stamps cancelled by a local printer to use on their goods. Several articles have been published on this issue; by Mr. J. W. George in *The American Journal of Philately* for December, 1901; by the writer in MEKEEL'S for Jan. 9, 1909, and a comprehensive one by Dr. J. M. Brooks in *The Stamp Journal* from March to November, 1914. His list shows the existence of 104 known varieties out of a possible 126. The reason for this was the fact that the forms were set up for each stamp separately, and various fonts of type used, particularly the figures and hyphens, giving a very interesting number of minor varieties. When the regular issue was obtainable, the stamps were cancelled with the "block-letter" font of type used for the firm's initials in Type III of the provisional issue, and the same short-arm K has been found proving it. In April, 1900, the type was changed to a smaller font, and was used until the end of June, 1901.

The monogram cancellations of The Antikamnia Company, and of J. Elwood Lee Co. are also more or less popular with the collectors of U. S. Revenues. The Antikamnia Co., before they obtained their supply of stamps, used two type-set labels of ⅛c and 2½c value, guaranteeing the payment of the tax, which were cancelled in purple with a rubber-stamp, the design being that of an AK tablet surrounded by a wreath. Above it, the title, ANTIKAMNIA CO., and below the date, JULY 1, 1898. This cancellation is found on the regular issue ⅝c and 2½c. The next cancellation was printed. An electrotype was used for the design, a large AK in the center surrounded above by the title, THE ANTIKAMNIA CHEMICAL CO. in a curve conforming to the frame of the picture of the battle-ship, and below it the dates, which were type-set. Two fonts were used for the dates: Type I, "block" letters and figures, used on the ⅝c Oct., 1898, the 1¼c from 5—on the ⅝c Oct., 1898, the 1¼c from 5-12-1900 to 10-29-1900, the 2½c from Aug., 1898 to 2-23-1900, and the 3¾c from 9-6-1900 to 10-29-1900; Type II with smaller, shaded letters, on the ⅝c, ¼c, and 2½c, 4-3-1900, the 1¼c, 1900 to 5-16-1901. A purple ink rubber-stamp cancellation, AK CO. AK—6-15-01—AK CO. AK in three lines was also used on the 3¾c. In Type I four varieties of the numeral "1" were used. All "block-letters", but (a) has a small "flag" or tip, (b) has a square top; (c) the same but heavier type; (d) has a pointed top, sloping up from left to right.

Nine of the twelve values of the regular issue were used by the J. Elwood Lee Co., the 1c appearing only in 1898, and a set of inverted was made in 1900. The design is an artistic monogram of the initials of the company, surrounded below by an ornamental curve, and surmounted by the dates, 1898, 1899, 1900, or 1901. The only minor varieties are those appearing on both the rouletted and hyphen-hole perforations. The cancellation is found high or low on the stamp, thus putting the date above or below the monogram, as the case may be. During July and August, 1898, the stamps were cancelled in red by a printer who used several fonts of "block-letter" type, and the very first stamps used were cancelled in purple-red with a rubber-stamp.

A number of odd cancellations were used. That of The International Soap Co. was two small rosettes side by side. Alonzo O. Brown had a large O with the monogram AB within, a curved title OUR NATIVE HERB in "block" letters above, and the date below. National Remedy Co. used a small square with a circular opening in the center containing the monogram NR.

Occasional red cancellations occur, chiefly on the ⅝c, making a pleasing contrast with the blue, but Chamberlain Medicine Co. was cancelled in black during 1898 and in red on the ⅝c and 1¼c the remainder of the time, and W. H. Bull & Co., Hance Bros. & White, Hall & Ruckell, McKesson & Robbins, Ripans Chemical Co., Smith Kline & French Co., Wm. R. Warner & Co., J. Wyeth & Bro., and others also used red ink. Keasbey & Mattison Co. issued a "celebration" last set, June 15, 1901, and Wm. R. Warner & Co. a complete set on all twelve values dated 3-27-1901.

Proprietors of proprietary articles were given by the law the privilege of furnishing their own dies or designs for stamps, and there were fourteen used as listed in the Standard Catalogue. The only printed cancellations are those of Emerson Drug Co. and Lanman & Kemp, Johnson & Johnson using a hand-stamp for the dates only. The last two used the designs of the regular issue in different colors, but with their own names and trade-marks in the place of the battle-ship.

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—Boise, Idaho, is using a special cancellation. It consists of wavy lines, five in number, with the inscription in two lines "Home Coming Celebration"—Boise, July 3-4-5 1919".

—A. W. Hunt, Trinidad, states that Ewen's Colonial Stamp Market does not reply to any letters sent them. Mr. Hunt has written the firm several times without result.

—A subscriber who does not want his name used, remits $5 for a five-year subscription at $1 per year and with the enclosure was the following:—"By all means raise your subscription price. Everything is going up—why not the price of the WEEKLY? It is too cheap anyway at 50c for you have always furnished us stamp fiends with news good and plenty."

—E. N. Grey, Paterson, N. J., has a Patiala No. 157 in which the I of PUTTIALIA has fallen down so as to almost touch the letter A of STATE. This variety is not catalogued.

—I. W. Risdon's famous strip of four Newfoundland 1d imperforate on the original cover sold for $110 in the last Mozian sale. This cover is a superb one and the price makes an interesting quotation. A fine copy of Poland No. 1 on the original cover brought $12.75 at the same sale. The market in original covers seems to be firm.

—Four persons are reported to us by Emily King as paying no attention to communications sent them. They are Harold J. Belworthy, Bay City, Mich., Roswell Burford, Clarksdale, Miss., Walter J. Reed, Canton, Ohio, and R. Rapp, Melrose Highlands, Mass. The name of Belworthy is a very familiar one. He is known to fame (or rather, infamy), though his connection with the Wenona Stamp Co.

—J. P. Coveleski, Ancon, Canal Zone, informs us that he can get no replies to letters sent Leon Barri, Jr., El Paso, Tex., Chas. W. Adamson, San Francisco, Cal., H. B. Everett, N. Y. City, and G. W. Hawley, Allegan, Mich. So far as Barri is concerned he is notorious for failing to reply to letters. So near as we can find out he is a minor.

—The new Berlin government is planning for a new set of stamps. The designs for the same will be selected by a public competition, more than 500 designs having been submitted to the P. O. Department. Andrew Hertel sends us a clipping from the Chicago *Tribune* showing six different designs and three of these we are informed have already been accepted for certain values. The *Tribune* illustrations are not strong enough for us to reproduce, but they are all weird expressions of German art (?).

A PHILATELIST'S CREED.

A short time ago, there was enrolled upon our mailing list, a new subscriber, Judge A. C. Backus. At the time the name seemed familiar, and while looking over the editorial scrap book, we associated it with the following clipping:—

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Loose—The following letter is from a source that has our respect and we know that the writer of it gives the thoughts of other than himself, in voicing the following opinion: "What has come over the market? It is running away and prices for U. S. stamps are getting beyond all reason. Why these advances are made is beyond sober analysis. I cite U. S. stamps because I know something about them based on an observance of thirty years; and when a dealer asks me double catalogue for something that three years ago he would have sold at from one-quarter to one-half off I cry out. The why and wherefore of what I consider inflated prices would be interesting and I suppose that dealers would not ask these prices if they did not make sales. What is odd to me is that the tall prices do not cause more comment instead of being accepted as the proper thing. I know that the good stamps generally have improved in price but why our own stamps have become almost unpurchasable is beyond my ken." There is more in this strain, but these extracts show the tenor of the reader's thoughts. We believe that not a few collectors, residing, as our correspondent does, away from the centers of philately, are puzzled by the closeness with which good U. S. are held and a few words of comment are in place. First of all, it should be known that all stamps practically have advanced in price and the cause for the rise may be attributed to the decreased purchasing power of the dollar; the augmented demand for stamps or what you will; we must recognize the changed conditions. That desirable U. S. should have mounted the heights is due to this basic fact, amplified by a demand following a growing appreciation of the worth of our early stamps in particular. The historical and national phases of the stamps nicely combine with the philatelic attraction and give an extra boost. Then, the intensive study of these issues means that where one variety was sufficient for the majority of collectors, many specimens of a single stamp are required to show differences of cancellation, sub-variety, etc. This demand by adult collectors includes a preference for prime condition; and hence, the skyward flight of prices for fine things. The dealers cannot be said to instigate the top prices as they do not have large stocks of the stamps in question and they are put to great lengths in scouring the country for the purchase of the stamps of this kind for re-sale. The tide is so strong for these stamps that it carries all objections before it.

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Lore—Several months ago, a correspondent wrote asking for information about "Favor's Eastport Express" and Earle and Co.'s Providence, respectively. While for some reason Favor's Express is associated in our mind with stamps, it may have been that we saw in some old catalogue a fictitious stamp or two assigned to this enterprise. As we have just secured through the courtesy of Mr. T. W. Tucker, an old expressman, particulars of both the expresses mentioned by our inquirer, we shall put them on record, at any rate. Favor's Eastport Express, best remembered through its old steamer, Admiral, ran from Boston to Eastport and Calais, Maine, to St. John, New Brunswick. Colonel Favor, the proprietor, was a character of whom many stories were told, and who combined the "joy of living" with his transfer business; and his service was popular about 1855 to 1860, or thereabouts. He carried letters and freight, but it is certain that no local stamps were used on the letters. The express business operated as Earle and Co.'s Providence Express began service in 1840, and for many years transacted a prosperous business between Boston and Providence, until it was absorbed by the American Express Company. We have never seen any stamp references to this express. It is known that small gummed labels were used by some of the express companies that did a letter carrying business, but these stickers are not to be classed as local stamps such as are recognized in the catalog. They indicated that certain formalities had been complied with and did not represent a postal tax. We have seen a good many of these slips in the aggregate, and while some of them have local potentialities and approach the border of stamp-land, they cannot be accepted as stamps. If the correspondent to whom we make belated reply sees this paragraph, he may have something further to say.

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Likely—The articles on the match companies that issued stamps during the old tax period are attracting the attention of some of our readers, so interestingly is the information about the match manufacturers and their stamps presented by Christopher West, the writer of the series. One of our subscribers asks why the old match, medicine, etc., stamps are not more popular and when they will come into their own. While popularity, in its broad sense, perches on the pennants of these stamps only in cycles, yet there is always a fair number of collectors who are quietly perfecting their collections of these revenues, and they acquire a fund of information in obtaining the stamps that is appealing to those who feel the historical side of the old pledges of tax tribute. There has always been a band of collectors to do them honor, however, and in 1877 a dealer advertised to pay three dollars each for any of the following stamps: "Aetna, 1 cent, green; American Match Company, 1 and 3 cents; Bousefield and Poole, 3 cent, brown; Brown and Darling, 1 cent, black; Chicago Match Co., 3 cent black; Doolittle, W. E. Gorman, Thos. and Bro., 1 cent, black; N. Y. Match Co., 5 cent, blue; Pierce Match Co., Wise and Co. from 1 to 15 dollars paid for rarities." This offer, which is quoted verbatim, mentions match stamps only; and a number of discrepancies will be noticed in it.

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Latest—We have received an authoritative article from a postal officer at Shanghai telling of the reason, in detail, for the issue of the Shanghai surcharges that we hope will have space elsewhere in this issue. The explanation is opportune, and though our correspondent says that it is difficult to put clearly the circumstances to readers unacquainted with the vagaries of silver fluctuations in the orient, we believe that he has presented the subject in understandable form. From a Shanghai newspaper clipping we learn that the old stamps, while not exchangeable for Mex. surcharges, will be allowed to be used as heretofore.

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Listen—A reader takes his pen in hand: "In the issue of May 31, 1919, you suggest an inexpensive way of keeping stamps from sticking to the album pages. I have a less expensive, but perhaps not less efficacious method. Rub the gummed side of your stamp lightly on your hair, and it will take up an invisible oil. Try it on some one cent current stamps, and carry them in your pocket for a few days. P. S.: This will not work with false hair; and the bald collector is discriminated against."

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During this past season a new name has appeared in the dealing ranks, A. E. Hussey of Cincinnati, O. Mr. Hussey has pursued the policy of using ordinary space week by week, but once a month blossoming out with a large announcement. The one elsewhere in this issue is a sample. We think it well to quote from his letter accompanying the advertising copy:—

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AMERICAN STAMPS SURCHARGED FOR USE IN SHANGHAI.

By F. G. S.

The American Postal Agency at Shanghai recently announced in the local press that from July 1st, 1919, the current American stamps would be surcharged in values double that of their face value, and such would be on sale from that date concurrently with the ordinary unsurcharged stamps.

This innovation is due solely to the high price of silver, and to the opinion of experts in high financial circles that its price will remain high for many years to come.

It has always been optional when purchasing American stamps at the United States Postal Agency in Shanghai to pay for them either in American or "Chinese" currency. (The term "Chinese" must be understood to cover all kinds of dollars circulating in China which are issued on the silver basis, which include the Mexican dollar.) But if payment is made in Chinese currency then the rate of "two for one" is charged, because before the war the value of an American dollar steadily averaged around two Chinese dollars. It was immaterial, therefore, in those days whether one paid for one's stamps in American or Chinese currency.

It must be borne in mind that an American dollar is based on a gold standard, and so its value does not fluctuate to any extent worth mentioning. But as China has no gold standard, the value of a Chinese dollar fluctuates in ratio to the varying price of silver, and as silver today is double the price it was before the war, it follows that a certain sum in any gold currency can now be purchased with considerably fewer Chinese dollars than formerly.

The American Postal Agency in Shanghai has never recognized this, and has never made any difference in its rates when payment was tendered in Chinese currency for stamps, but always demanded the "two for one" terms as in pre-war times.

What a purchaser of American stamps, etc., now does, then, before going to the United States Post Office in Shanghai is to call in at the nearest Chinese money changer's shop and buy an American dollar or dollars at the current rate of the day. This rate has frequently been as low as one dollar and ten cents (Chinese) for one American dollar and is at about that rate at this writing.

Here is a clear saving of 90c (Chinese) on every dollar's worth of postal matter bought with American currency at the United States Postal Agency!

For a long time during the war many firms in Shanghai, principally those other than American, who found it advisable to send their mail for Europe via America, did not know that the American Postal Agency would accept American currency, but continued to buy American stamps there in Chinese currency at the rate of "two for one". Further, there was always the case of the party in a hurry to catch the mail, and who had not had time to call at the Chinese money changers, or had perhaps forgotten to buy American currency, and so got "stuck" into having to pay double for his stamps.

Now it should be stated that one of the rules of the American Postal Agency at Shanghai is that anyone paying in American currency must sign a "chit" (i. e note) stating that this was the mode of payment. As there is no official form of any description for this requirement, and as any old scrap of paper is accepted, there was nothing to prevent a dishonest counter assistant (who are all natives) from selling stamps at the "two for one" rate, and afterwards, just writing out a "chit" as having received American money, then paying this into the accounts and pocketing the difference received from a customer.

Possibly the principal reason is to simplify the bookkeeping, as after the surcharged stamps are put on sale it will merely mean that for every dollar's worth of the unsurcharged variety one American dollar must be remitted to Washington, and for every surcharged stamp sold two Chinese dollars (or their equivalent in American currency) must be remitted.

However, who is going to pay double postage for his mail? The commercial firms who previously used the American mails, and who, in some instances, as above stated, paid in Chinese currency, have now reverted to the service of their own national post offices. There remains only the forgetful persons who find themselves without American currency when purchasing stamps, and it can be safely asserted that these individuals are now mighty rare. But if they are not too late for the mail they can just walk out of the post office and slip around the corner to the Chinese money changer, and get all the American money they need.

It means, consequently, that few, if any, of these surcharged stamps will frank any mail matter, and that the value of the used specimens to collectors will be considerably higher than the unused.

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Walter Doepp Jr., advises us that June *Physical Culture* contains a Caruso item of interest to our readers. We quote the same as follows:—

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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED SATES.—In reference to the red error envelopes which have been turning up here and there, we are now informed that a quite a few have been returned to Washington. Dr. William Evans writes that a business firm in Norfolk recently received 2000 of these errors and returned them to the Post Office before he learned of the fact. To date we know of but two finds in the hands of collectors, namely, the New York lot on white and the Waterbury find on blue. Some were printed on amber and some on buff, but it is a question if any of these will reach the public. It may be of interest to mention that a new contract on envelopes goes into effect on July 1st at which time the prices on sizes 5 and 13 will advance. We hope under the new contract that the government will receive better product.

Mr. W. T. Robey informs us that the Bureau has discontinued the printing of the postage stamps by the offset method on March 25, and that since that time only the engraved plates have been used. He states that the 1c plate 10054 was the last printed from, although a number of such plates bearing higher numbers are held in reserve in the Bureau. These will probably never be used. We have not seen stamps from the last plate used, as yet, although we had the 1c No. 10053 in Philadelphia some weeks back. We would welcome information as to the whereabouts of the last printings.

Mr. H. W. Porter informs us that he has obtained a 3c documentary provisionally surcharged in Baltimore "Narcotic". This is the fourth city to our knowledge issuing such provisionals. Mr. Porter states that the surcharge is in large letters and runs obliquely from the lower left to the upper right. It seems that only the 3c value was so surcharged as the regular issue from Washington, of the other values, reached them in ample time.

Mr. A. S. Davenport has now obtained copies of the New York provisional "Narcotic" 1c and 2c. We had supposed these were issued but the printed issue of these two values from the Bureau reached New York so early that but few were made.

In the same letter Mr. Davenport tells us that the 1c documentary has been surcharged "Cigarette Tubes" but furnishes us with none of the details. The revenue collector of late issues certainly has a merry time these days. Keep at it, for some of the varieties that can be purchased at a few cents to-day are likely to be real rarities a few years hence.

Several kind correspondents, including Mr. Andrew Hertel, tell us that the higher values of the new proprietary stamps which we mentioned in a previous chronicle have been placed on sale All values are now to be had in New York and the larger offices.

The office of the Third Ass't P. M. Gen'l, A. M. Dockery, sends out under date of May 26, 1919, a very interesting bulletin from which we quote:—

WASHINGTON, May 26, 1919.
Special-Delivery Stamps.

1. Owing to the small demand for 10-cent special-delivery stamps at the U. S. Postal Agency, Shanghai, China, the issuance of surcharged stamps of this denomination, as listed in *The Postal Bulletin* dated May 6th, has been canceled. No 10-cent special-delivery stamps surcharged "Shanghai, China," have been printed.

How to Get Postage Stamps Surcharged "Shanghai, China."

2. The denominations of United States postage stamps surcharged "Shanghai, China," are as follows: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 15, 20, 30, 50-cent, and 1-dollar. The surcharged value is double the original value of the stamps, that is to say, the 1-cent stamp is surcharged "2 cents," the 2-cent stamp is surcharged "4 cents," and so on through the list.

3. The Department is receiving inquiries from collectors as to how the surcharged stamps may be purchased. They will not be placed on sale in United States post offices, for the reason that they are to be sold only for the local money current in Shanghai, known as "Mexican."

4. The best method of obtaining the surcharge stamps is to remit their value, with return postage and registry fee, in United States domestic money orders to the order of the U. S. Postal Agent, Shanghai, China. He will convert the money orders into local currency at the prevailing rate of exchange and send the stamps by registered mail to the purchaser's address, wrapped in paraffin paper to prevent them from sticking prematurely.

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AUSTRALIA.—Mr. J. H. Smyth has shown us the 1½d current George stamp on single watermark paper. We also note that the color is more reddish brown than heretofore.

BARBADOS.—New Printing 1916 Design.—A supply is to hand of the new printings of the 3d and 1sh values, some sheets of which we were informed first appeared on sale on January 6th last.

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BOHEMIA.—During the revolution, the postal service in the City of Prague was maintained by the Boy Scouts, who issued their own stamps. These are two in number, 10 and 20 heller, and bear a design of a crowned lion rampant with two tails. The inscription at top is POSTA CESKYCH SKAUTU (Czech boy-scouts post), and at foot VE SLUZBACH NARODNI VLADY (in the country's service). They do not appear to be a Government issue, and as their use was strictly local we do not propose to catalogue them.—*Whitfield King's Monthly List.*

CILICIA.—A correspondent at Bagdad informs us that the French have seized all the Turkish stamps in this territory and overprinted them "Cilicie;" the stamps in question appear to be mostly of the Commemorative series which were issued during the war and which, being of enemy origin, are not in our catalogue. Our correspondent has seen nine varieties, of which he has kindly sent us a specimen; the overprint appears to be done by hand in large sans-serif letters at the foot of the stamp. Our correspondent says that the stamps are very scarce, and that they appear to be on a parallel with the Bagdad issues.—*Whitfield King's Monthly List.*

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For the benefit of those who may think a bit of exaggeration may have slipped into this discourse, let me say that I ought to know what I am talking about. I am a Condition Crank (33rd degree) myself.

Notes and Gossip.

Bob French of Montreal speaks French with one hand and English with the other. When he lived in Louisville he spent part of his spare time at the stamp club and the rest looking for a second copy of the Thos. E. Wilson medicine stamp. Bob says he thinks there's a better chance of finding one of Doc. Wilson's stickers in Montreal than in Louisville, because no one ever looked for it in Montreal. Keep your eyes open, Bob, and there's no telling what you'll find. The only known copy of the 1c J. C. Ayer in blue came from Canada, you know.

Doc. Hetrich of Penn's Woods has a memory longer than Barham's Pile Cure and upon slight provocation will tell that good one about raiding a drug store 25 years ago and emerging from the fray minus a ten cent segar and a ten dollar bill, but bearing off as the spoils of conquest a packing box chock-a-block full of Franklin match stamps on the "original covers" and several segar boxes full of medicine revenues, including a fair sized wad of J. C. Ayer 4c uncut and unused in blocks. We agree with the Doc.—*them was the HAPPY DAYS.*

"My Creole Sue."

(Revised Version.)

Last night I sat reflecting o'er the mem'-
ries of the past,
My thoughts turned back to you—my
three cent blue;
The attic stairs, the dusty floor, the nook
beneath the eaves,
'Twas there in grandpa's trunk my
eyes met you.

Chorus.

My three cent blue, how I loved you!
I love you still, and always will.
I sigh for you, I do, I do;
And to you I'll e'er be true.
My three cent blue.

The hair cloth trunk is now no more;
the letters thrown away.
What would I give to have them here
with you!
Most loved of all the stamps that take me
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The square one with an engine—three
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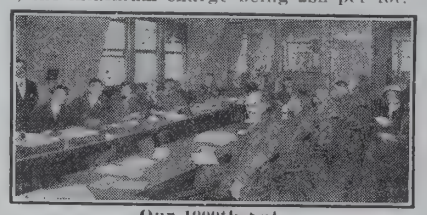

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By JOHN KENDRICK BANGS.

Advices from Washington state that the gum on the back of the postage stamps is made of sweet potato. This is all very well as far as it goes, but it does not go far enough. If the public gum is to be made of food-stuffs, why, in a republic like this, should one man's taste be permitted to prevail over another's? We do not all of us care for sweet potatoes, and we cannot be compelled to even by the great I Yam himself, for all his big stick and its power. The sweet potato is not a bad thing, but there are thousands of us with cultivated gastronomic tastes who prefer other edibles, like Camembert cheese, canvas-back duck, lobsters, shrimp salad, and so on—there are even people who can eat squash with relish. Wherefore, why sweet potatoes exclusively? Are all these other tastes to be ruthlessly ignored because some bureaucrat likes sweet potatoes? We trow not—not, at least, if this is the age of the square deal. It is, therefore, respectfully suggested that the Post-office Department vary that recipe a bit, and give us a more extensive menu. Let the one-cent stamps be gummed with sweet potato, if you will, but on the two's let us have a hint of pickled oysters; give us a three-cent stamp flavored with stewed rhubard; a four-cent stamp with pumpkin pie; put mint sauce on the nickel stamp; and so on up to the highest denomination, catering as the stamps rise in value to the more expensive tastes. Surely if the man who never buys anything more expensive than a penny stamp is entitled to his sweet potato—and nobody denies that he is—the chap who buys a dollar stamp should be able to get something for his money in his gum—as the office-boy says, he should get what is gumming to him—ruddy-duck, pate de foie gras, or even a hint of a Bronx cocktail, if that is what he likes.

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THE 10c BLACK OF 1847.

By EARLY BYRD.

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Regardless of whys and wherefores, the 10c '47 is a rare bird in fine condition, and not to be lightly parted with. For some unaccountable reason there seem to be more well known varieties of the 10c than of the 5c stamp. It lacks the varieties of color which make the 5c value easy to place chronologically, but offsets this by a larger number of shifts and other plate varieties.

There are four easily distinguished "shifts", or double transfers, and some lesser varieties. One of these shifts, listed by Dr. Carroll Chase as shift "B", is the finest example of shifted transfer known on any stamp, to my way of thinking, though the big shift in the first issue of Canada 3 pence might show as plainly if printed in black. In the 10c shift "B" the words Post Office appear to be printed double, once in white or colorless letters, and again in fine black letters, which overlay the white ones. The shift is also evident in the letters "U. S." and in the oval surrounding the medallion. A fine copy of this shift probably would bring about $50 at auction today. The copy offered at the Worthington sale brought over $30 and was resold for $40 a few weeks later.

Shifts "A" and "C" are sometimes mistaken for one another, as the principal distinguishing mark in both is a line through the right hand "X". In shift "A" this line runs from northeast to southwest, though the shift is clearly seen in the upper parts of "U. S." In shift "C" the line in the "X" runs from northwest to southeast in the lower part of the letter, and the bottom line is partly doubled. Shift "D" shows clearest in the frame lines, which show double across the bottom and at the lower ends of both side lines. Any of these shifts in fine condition should bring $25 to $30, and even where the stamps are cut into they still command considerable premiums, say $15 to $20.

Another interesting transfer variety is that known as the short transfer in which a blank, or nearly blank, space shows at the top or bottom of the stamp. This commands a small premium, though less than any of the shifts.

What is often mistaken for a shift is the variety showing a vertical line through the second "F" of Office. This is asserted by Dr. Chase to be the result of a scratch on the plate. It is a variety widely recognized and one that any specialist will be glad to acquire at a premium in case you find one and don't want it yourself.

In paper varieties there seems little to show beyond the stitch watermark (and you have me beaten if you can show this stamp with the stitch), creased paper, (showing a blank space where the paper was folded in printing) and the yellowish or white paper variety. Most of these stamps, like the 5c, are on a greyish paper. A small percentage are

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—The C. E. Hussman Co. can get no replies to letters sent A. W. Woodward, 22 E. 7th St., Erie, Pa. Letters are returned "Unclaimed. Moved. Left no address."

—W. E. H.—We have heard no word as to when a new Scott's catalog will appear, but a new Gibbons' will no doubt soon be available.

—The Midland Stamp Co. can secure no replies to letters addressed F. G. Lacey, 537 Howard Av., New Haven, Conn. Write the company if others are similarly situated.

—As the Pacific, Berkeley, Western, and San Francisco Societies are each planning to entertain the S. P. A. convention one day in August, the date of convening has been made August 27, one day earlier than intended. S. P. A. members at Pittsburgh have applied for a Branch in that city.

—J. D. G.—We do not know when the Poole Dictionary will be published in its entirety. Certainly not until it has appeared in the WEEKLY. Two sections have already been printed and the third will appear very soon.

"BY ALL MEANS MAKE IT B."

By R. F. WILLIAMS.

(We do not know Mr. Williams' business connections but we do feel that he has sized up the situation confronting the WEEKLY in a very terse and intelligent manner.—W. O. W.)

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The WEEKLY has a splendid list of ad vertisers and a reasonable advance woul effect but a few. The present subscrip tion price is entirely too low but an raise will make fewer subscribers an reduce the advertising value just tha much. I, personally, would not be with out the WEEKLY no matter what the sub scription.

on paper that shows quite distinctly blue, and very rarely copies are found in which the paper appears to be plain white or slightly yellowish wove. The stitch watermark, I assume, would find more takers and a better price than the other varieties.

Varieties in which no great interest is displayed by the general run of collectors are those in which, due to recutting, some part of a side line is doubled.

Cancellations on the 10c stamps, especially on covers, are more apt to be interesting than those on the 5c for reasons already given. Route cancellations I think have the call, and a good cover with a Baltimore Railroad, Philadelphia Railroad, N. Y. & Phila. R. R., Eastern R. R., Hudson River Mail, Steamboat or Ship cancellation will find takers without number if you offer one for sale or exchange. Numerals were frequently used, as also the words PAID, FREE and WAY, and all of these markings command decided premiums over the ordinary grid obliterations.

When it comes to colored cancellations, Dr. Chase gives the prize to the Chicago pink, but this on a stamp off cover is practically impossible of identification. On cover it is easy to distinguish and is both rare and desirable. Why green cancellations are so seldom met with I cannot understand, for several cities in Great Britain used green receiving stamps during the period under notice, and it is not unusual to find foreign cancellations falling on the stamps. Anyway, green is very rare on both the 5c and 10c stamps. Black is less rare but not much so. Red is by far the commonest cancellation ink found on the '47 issue, as it was employed by both New York and Boston where most of the stamps were used. Philadelphia and Baltimore both used blue ink for town cancellations, as did some other cities, and that color is only less common than the red. Town cancellations are of course much scarcer than the gridirons usually employed. Personally, I am inclined to favor light pen cancellations as doing less to impair the effect of the stamps. This leaning, however, is contrary to the general rule and pen cancelled copies with most dealers are at a big discount. This should not be held against the stamps, though, as they never were used for fiscal or registration purposes and the penmarks represent only postal cancellation.

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LATVIJA.

By AUGUSTUS H. KIUSALAS.

In reviewing the new issue columns of the leading philatelic publications, the writer finds that stamps bearing the name Latvija (Lat-we-jah) are listed as Lithuanian stamps. This is an error which should be corrected.

The War Trade Board of the United States gives a better spelling for this name, Latvia. The above mentioned inscription is the name, in the native tongue, of a section of the Baltic Province inhabited by Lettish People. This section of Russia includes the southern half of Livonia. and also all of Courland.

The correct names of these two provinces are Widseme (Midland) and Kurseme (Kurland). The Lettish people inhabited this part of the Baltic Province as far as historical records can be traced.

Before the thirteenth century, these people lived in tribes and subsisted mainly by cultivating the land. The two chief tribes were Kuri and Livi, hence the names Courland and Lifland in German or of Germanic origin, which in turn was latinized to Kuronia and Livonia. Same applies to the Northern Baltic Province of Estonia:—Esteemaa, Estland, Estonia.

Although the Lettish people were in turn under the following governments, Germans, Poles, Swedes, and Russians, they were really ruled by the Order of the Teutonic Knights, since the early part of the thirteenth century. This was since the German merchants landed from Bremen, at the mouth of the Daugawa (Dwina) River, where they founded the city of Riga.

The gallant Knights built castles scattered all over the above mentioned Province. An excellent picture of the ruins of one of these castles can be found on stamps of the 1901 issue of Wenden (Livonia).

An explanation of the reason for building these castles, or fortresses, would not be out of place here. At first these German merchants landed on the sandy banks of the River Daugawa a few miles above its mouth, and traded various articles with the natives. Finding trading good and much to their advantage, these traders or adventurers came frequently. Finally they built a system of castles (really fortresses) for their protection from the natives, whom the Knights eventually enslaved. These castles were of gigantic size.

Riga was founded by Albert, Bishop of Livonia, in 1201 and became a busy city, and a prosperous member of the Hanseatic League. St. Peter's Church was built in 1204 and its steeple is 460 feet high.

Their language is very old, and it is said to be nearest to Sanskrit of any in use today. The people, unlike other Russians, are well educated and the proportion of illiteracy is extremely small, a compulsory school system, maintained by the people, is responsible for this.

The stamps, with the inscription Latvija, are provisional issues, which do not cover the entire section mentioned. They were issued for use only in the southern part of that country, evidently in the city of Leepaja, which is the Lettish name for the port of Libau. The remainder is still under Bolshevik (The Russian Federated Soviet Republic) rule.

The inscription on the stamps KAP, is an abbreviation of Kapeika, the Lettish for the Russian word Kopeika (Kopeck) the name of a coin in use.

The Lithuanians are entirely different people, inhabiting the country southeast of Latvija, between Russia, Poland, and Germany.

3c U. S. ENV. BLACK ON AMBER.

J. M. Bartels sends for our use a letter received from W. J. Barrows, Acting Third Assistant Postmaster General, dealing with the 3c envelope black on amber. We quote the letter as received:—

"Referring to your letter of May 19th, submitting a return-card stamped envelope with the 3c stamp embossed in black ink, you are advised that an investigation was made to establish, if possible, the cause of this error.

It has been found impossible to prove definitely how only part of the order could have been printed with stamps in black ink without being detected, but it seems probable that this order was printed at night and some black ink was inadvertently put in a purple fountain, or that a palette-knife carrying black ink was used in a purple fountain, and the difference in color escaped notice in the artificial light.

The black ink for the printed return-card and the stamp ink are close together in the press machine, and it has been suggested that a piece of paper may have lodged in the receptacle containing black ink in such a manner as to syphon a sufficient quantity into the stamp ink as to produce the black ink impressions.

No more definite explanation of the error can at present be given."

A STUDY IN VALUES.

(We are not at liberty to give the name of our Washington, D. C., correspondent, but we are mightily interested in his deductions. We have only to add that 52,000 seems too large a number of stamp collecting subscribers for the "American Boy" to claim. We advertised in this magazine for ten years and believe that 5,200 would be a more correct estimate.—W. O. W.)

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IS IT THE GODDESS ISIS?

We recently received a letter from Wm. E. Davie of Sioux Falls, S. D., from which we quote the following paragraph:—

I have noticed in your handbook on "Egypt", that the design of the current 2m stamp is said to represent the goddess "Isis." In "A Thousand Miles Up the Nile." by Amelia B. Edwards, there is a picture like the one on the stamp. and is described as a *bas-relief of Cleopatra from the Temple of Hathor at Denderah.* The description also says that she wears on her headdress the vulture head of *Maut,* the horned disk of *Hathor,* and the throne of *Isis.* Could this picture be what the stamps is meant to show?

Submitting the query to C. A. Howes, we received the following reply, and thank him for his assistance:—

"I have chased up the Davis inquiry you sent me, as I thought myself the picture represented Isis. The result is that everybody appears to be right anyway. The statement by Miss Edwards is very definite, (she gives the photographer's name even) and the location of the bas-relief on the back of the Temple, where it is covered with debris for its protection. The cartouche at the left undoubtedly identifies it, although I haven't so far been able to find a representation of Cleopatra's cartouche to identify. However, the rulers of Egypt were usually represented with headdresses of the various deities and this picture of Cleopatra is with the headdress often used with representations of the goddess Isis. So there you are! The gods and goddesses often had headdresses representing several deities and this one of Isis represents the trinity of Isis, Hathor and Maut as Miss Edwards says.

For accuracy, then, it seems we ought to take the detailed statement of Miss Edwards rather than saying the picture is the 'goddess Isis.'"

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Fair—The recent statement of our intention to raise our advertising or our subscription rates interested a good number of our readers sufficiently to impel them to write to us, in order to give their opinion of the impending change. First of all, we are pleased that we could command the attention of so many readers who would take the trouble to write us during these summer days; and secondly, it is gratifying to be able to say that out of the considerable number of letters that came from subscribers, not a single complaint reached the editor that an advance in one way was not justified. While the communications from advertisers did not come to us, we are able to say that readers favor the step that is to be taken. While a majority of readers prefer that the subscription rate be left as it is, there are some who think that it should be raised; and we are somewhat surprised that not a few of our advisers say that both advertising and subscription rates should be boosted. The hand-writing on the wall points to a reasonable increase in our advertising rates in order to fortify us against the added expense of production. We are pleased that we have taken counsel with readers and advertisers and they should know that the interest taken in our publication is heartening to us in our endeavor to give even a more satisfactory return for the money paid to us.

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First—Our attention has been called to a notice in the San Diego, Cal., *Union*, dated March 4, 1918, in which it is shown by documentary evidence that the beloved Pony Express was antedated nearly ten years by hardy pioneers who undertook the operation of an express in the far West. If there had been any postal marking to signalize the mail that was carried, the announcement would be of singular interest, but as it is, the account of this early enterprise is so graphically presented by the newspaper that we plan to reproduce it in another column.

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Frivolous—Says a correspondent: "It gives me grave concern to notice how our pursuit has become so sobering on its followers. I refer to the claim recently made by writer that the number of 'serious collectors' has greatly increased. I have spent a good many dollars on stamps in the past thirty-five years but barring the occasions when I found a thin spot under the hinge or something such as that I have not been a serious collector."

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Feasible—We have to thank Mr. Lowell J. Ragatz, Madison, Wisconsin, for another of his valuable contributions: "In 'The Boy and His Gang,' (Houghton Mifflin Company, 1912), the author, J. Adams Puffer, Director of the Beacon Vocation Bureau of Boston, urges teachers to appeal at every turn to the natural activities of boys, organizing these activities on the basis of the boy's own spontaneous groups. He says (page 184), 'Let a teacher go in especially for nature study and have her pupils make collections for the school, butterflies, beetles, minerals, it does not make much difference what,—stamps if nothing else offers. By this means she appeals strongly to the acquisitive instinct, which is especially strong among boys, and often the sole reason for their thievery. By this means, also, since the collection is for the school, she appeals to the instinct of loyalty, and turns this powerful impulse of boyhood in the direction of the institution and herself as a part of it.' So we have stamp collecting presented as one of the means to settle the eternal boy problem. Even though it is relegated to last place in the category of preventives against mischief-making, it is refreshing to see our hobby accorded this recognition by an authority on boys, such as Mr. Puffer. Incidentally, I know of one school in which the plan of forming a school collection of stamps was tried with excellent results." We know of the work in this line that several of the Chicago school-teachers are accomplishing and while we do not anticipate any unanimous adoption of the stamp plan suggested, yet it is certain to gain adherents who will put it to practical use.

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Furnished—From Sr. Erich Parke, San Pedro Sula, Honduras, we have received some details of interest: "When ordering stamps from Libia, one may encounter disappointment. Recently, I had a consignment with most of the stamps showing two holes caused by wire clamps put through the envelope after it had been closed. The clamps were not visible as they were covered with sealing wax. Some postmasters have many philatelic sins to answer for. Among my Honduras, I have just found a strip of two of Honduras, No. 160, 1913-15, with the distance between the '5' and 'cents' five millimeters on one stamp instead of 2 mms., as on the other. The 5 mms. difference is the variety." Another correspondent says that the post office at Adelaide, South Australia, uses the cancellation mark: "Buy War Savings Certificates. Help Repatriation." How many of our average citizens could define "repatriation" in a flash?

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Further—The following interesting letter has come from Mr. W. J. Stanton, Coronado, California: "I was very much interested in the mention made by Mr. Ragatz in a recent number of the case of The Bermuda, reported in 3 Wallace, U. S. Supreme Court reports. This vessel was seized and with its cargo was sold as a blockade runner. The Supreme Court, in a lengthy decision reviews at length the evidence, and portions are interesting philatelically. It appears that the boat carried as passengers, engravers and printers from Scotland. To quote from the decision: 'There were at least 26 boxes marked P. O. D. (post office department?) with immense numbers of Confederate States' postage stamps; printing ink for postage stamps; copper plates with 400 dies, for printing at each impression 400 rebel postage stamps; also, 200,000 letter envelopes'; also, 'Many reams of fine white bank-note paper, watermarked C. S. A.' Continuing, the decision states: 'At the time of capture, two small boxes and a package, supposed to contain postage stamps, were thrown overboard.' Another portion 'Consisted of printing presses and materials, paper, and Confederate States' postage stamps and is described in a letter found on board, as presses and paraphernalia complete obtained from Scotland by a commission of the Confederate government and sent with a lot of printers and engravers.' The vessel sailed from England in February, 1862, and was captured April 27, 1862. The case was appealed from the District Court for the eastern District of Pennsylvania to the Supreme Court and was decided in 1865. A copy of the decree for the sale of the vessel and cargo may be found in volume 23 of the Legal Intelligencer, page 116. The return of the sale, made to the District Court at Philadelphia would show who purchased the cargo. Cannot some of your Philadelphia subscribers complete the history of this lot of stamps and dies?" Most important possibilities are indicated by Mr. Stanton's report and we trust that some one who is in a position to press an inquiry will develop the case. Enough evidence has been shown to make it obligatory that future historians of the Confederate stamps give heed to this historical phase of the stamps. We are acquainted with the watermarked paper referred to in the decision having had sheets of it at different times and it fits in with the description. We have no clue as to the "letter envelopes" mentioned.

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PANAMA INFORMATION WANTED.

By FREDERICK E. HEYDON.

In Chapter X of my serial on "Panama and Its Postage Stamps", I omitted any reference to the 20c and 50c of the Fourth Panama Issue with wide bar which the Standard Catalogue refers to as "not known to have been issued. Some copies have been cancelled to oblige—" Before final publication of this Panama booklet I should like to obtain full information as to these settings, and would be greatly obliged to any of your readers who can supply data. There are also varieties of the 10c and 20c which cannot be placed in any known issue. All of those in my own collection have two characteristics in common, the first is a bar 3 mm. above PANAMA, and the second is that the surcharge reads in the same direction on both sides. I give below full description of these stamps so that any other varieties from the same settings can be identified:—

a. 10c yellow, vermilion surcharge, bar 2½ mm. wide, PANAMA reads downward on both sides.
b. 20c violet, dark glossy carmine-red surcharge, bar 2 mm. wide, PANAMA reads upward on both sides. My copy has been used postally and is from the upper row of sheet.
c. 20c violet, light dull carmine surcharge, bars 2½ mm. wide, PANAMA reads downward on both sides.
d. 50c bistre-brown, light dull carmine surcharge, bar 2½ mm. wide, PANAMA reads upward on both sides.
e. 50c bistre-brown, same as d but PANAMA reads downward on both sides.

Now all of these stamps were sold to and bought by me as being the well known varieties of the original printing, and the differences noted afterwards. The 20c I took as an interesting variety due probably to heavy inking. The questions I would ask in regard to these stamps are, have we to do with varieties of known printings that have been overlooked, or do they represent unknown printings?

I cannot agree with the publishers of the Standard Catalogue in rejecting these varieties as speculative as there have not been enough of them sold to collectors to pay for the trouble of arranging new settings and they may have been required on account of shortages of these values. They are not so readily recognized as the PA WANA, PANANA and some others, and have never been exploited so far as I know by speculators.

In this connection I will mention a hitherto unlisted variety of the 4th Panama Issue, 1st printing. It is the 5c blue, surcharged carmine with a period 1½ mm. below the stem of the P of PANAMA at the left. I suspect that this exists on all sheets of all values of the original printing, as except where the surcharge is considerably shifted to the left, the period falls on a solid ground where it would be readily overlooked. In my copy, the shifted surcharge brings it exactly on a white line where it is easily recognizable. I have looked over a large number of stamps of this printing in the hope of locating the error in a block where its position in the sheet could be determined, but have met with no other copies. Here is a chance for research on the part of anyone having complete sheets or large blocks with shifted surcharge.

Any information in regard to these doubtful points will be much appreciated and due credit given to those whose researches enable me to add to the completeness of the list. It is hardly probable that the work will be again attempted for a good many years, by which time all of the existing complete sheets or panes will have been broken up. Address me 5418 9 St. N. W., Washington, D. C.

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UNITED STATES.—Mr. Arthur E. Owen has just informed us that the New York post office has received from the Bureau a number of the current 1c, 2c and 3c stamps in sheets of 170 subjects. These were printed upon the rotary press, from plates designed for the sidewise coils. We have not learned as to the gauge of the perforation and cannot say if it is the standard 11 of the flat plates or the perf. 10 of the coils. The paper, however, is unwatermarked and the sheets have margins at the top and bottom with guide line straight edges at each side. The subjects are arranged 17x10, that is seventeen stamps horizontal by ten vertical.

From a reliable Washington source we have also learned that plates of four hundred subjects have been made for the rotary press, so that it will be but a short time before most of our stamps in sheet form are the products of this press. We understand that these rolls will be perforated by a special machine and it is probably this perforator that we have heard so much about here of late. As the paper used for the dry method is so much heavier and tougher, perhaps we will leave the perf. 11 and go back to 12 or 12½.

When the rotary press was first designed and installed, it was the intention of Director Ralph of having all postage stamps printed in this manner at a considerable saving to the government. Influence, however, over which he had no control, prevented it.

Mr. W. A. Sisson has sent for our inspection a cover bearing a copy of the 1c blue, 1857 type II. Off hand it looks to be imperforated vertically with very satisfactory margins. A close inspection, however, shows that a number of the perforations on the left have been cut through but not sufficiently deep to cause the little bits of paper to fall out. The stamp, which is cancelled "Boston, Mar 25" (1858), is a most unusual variety, and while it is not worthy of catalogue rank is of interest to the specialist.

We have received from one of our oldest collectors, Mr. Wm. H. Faber, a copy of the 3c surface print, type IV, perf. 11, with a very distinct offset on the back. Copies showing a slight impression on the back are quite common, but this stamp, which, by the way, was found in the Charleston, S. C., post office, has an offset on the back in just as deep a color as the direct impression on the face. While from an artistic and philatelic point of view we are glad to see the offset stamps go, we must say that we will greatly miss them as editor of the new issue column. Something new in the way of unusual varieties, turned up constantly.

Mr. Percy M. Mann tells us that he has located several varieties of the provisional Philadelphia "Narcotic" surcharges which have not been listed before:—

First Issue, Black Surcharge.
1c double surcharge, one vertical, one horiz.
8c double surcharge, both horizontal.
Second Issue, Violet Surcharge.
5c double surcharge, both horizontal.

Mr. Edw. W. Fuss located at St. Mihiel with the A. E. F., informs us that he has received two very interesting covers from Berlin with the 3c Victory stamp upon each. The covers are postmarked in violet within two concentric circles "Military Mission—United States of America—Berlin". One of the covers has an additional postmark in black "Postal Express Service—No. 946—16 May 1919" while the second postmark on the other cover reads "Third Army—APO 734 May 16, '19". Victory stamps of the United States used to prepay letters from the capital of an enemy country are most unusual and are worthy of a place of honor in any war cover collection. We only regret that the post office did not send us a few of our stamps surcharged BERLIN.

We wish to thank Mr. Wyndham Haywood for sending us a copy of the *Postal Bulletin* giving details regarding the Shanghai surcharges and the Walters Stamp Co. for "Narcotic" information.

BRAZIL.—Mr. E. W. Spafford has shown us a further value in the new set of stamps in use in this country. This time it is the 25 reis and the color is a very pale olive.

CEYLON.—Mr. A. F. Koch has kindly sent us a number of blocks of the War stamps bearing different controls from those found on the earlier printings. Further, the one cent on 5c War stamp has appeared in a much brighter and redder shade of purple.

Overprinted War—Stamp in two lines.
1c on 5c bright reddish purple.

The following is a list of the controls which we have not previously noted:—

		Plate Controls.	Surcharge Controls in black.
1c on 5c		1	5
1c on 5c		4	5
1c on 5c		4	8
1c on 5c	War Stamp	3	7
1c on 5c	"	1	7
2 cents	"	3	5
2 "	"	4	5
3 "	"	1	5
3 "	"	3	5
3 "	"	4	5
5 "	"	1	9
5 "	"	2	6
5 "	"	3	4
5 "	"	4	4
5 "	" (new colour)	4	5

The same correspondent also sends us several varieties of overprint, such as letters joined, but does not say whether they are constant or merely accidents due to bad printing. There is one variety, however, which is evidently constant as Mr. Koch tells us that it is now being removed from every sheet at the Government Treasury before being issued to the Post Office. This occurs on the 1 cent on 5 cent War Stamp, and shows the "R" of War with the tail of the "R" broken off and leaving a dot at the bottom. This makes the word read a "WAP."—*Phil. Journal of Gr. Brit.*

EPIRUS.—Mr. W. S. Ledbetter has shown us a copy of Moscopolis issue Scott's type A10 of 25l value. The color is ultramarine.

MALTA.—Two new issues arrive from our worthy correspondent at Valletta one being the ½d WAR TAX stamp in a paler shade of green than formerly, and on chalk-surface paper the overprint remaining unaltered.

The other specimen is the 10s value with the same representation of the shipwreck of St. Paul as before, but in a modified frame and in *black* on white Mult. Crown CA paper, perf. 14. In the two upper corners are Maltese Crosses, the name of the island being displayed in a curved band between them, while at left and right respectively of the central design are the words POSTAGE and REVENUE in uncoloured capitals. The base of the design, including the inscription of value, is practically the same as before.

The example of the new 10s stamp before us is almost totally devoid of gum, the paper being very thick.—*Stamp Collecting.*

NEWFOUNDLAND.—Are there any counterfeit Caribous on the market? I hear that huge quantities of the 4c, especially, are being offered in N. Y. What can the differing features of the counterfeits be? The originals are bad enough—then how much worse (or better?) the counterfeits. The stamps have all earmarks of being lithographs, and poor ones at that—for we have had some very good appearing stamps produced by lithography—witness certain issues of Guatemala, which are not easy to distinguish from engraved. However, in the case of the Caribous, I am informed, and officially at that, that the stamps are printed from engraved plates. Then, what is the cause of the blurring—those values in the lighter shades, more especially.

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Mr. Lewis W. Bealer has shown us a copy of Scott's No. 75 which is of a very much brighter shade of lilac than we have ever before seen.

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The colours enumerated correspond to those of the Postal Union scheme, but we are inclined to regard the stamps as strictly locals.

RIO DE ORO.—We have received from this Spanish territory a brand-new series of postal adhesives, bearing an up-to-date portrait of King Alfonso, looking to right, in a double-lined circular frame, with inscription at foot, COLONIA DE RIO DE ORO, and numeral of value and Co. ("Centavo") in a square tablet on either side of the base of the portrait. The stamps are perf. 12½. The denominations and colours are:—

1c slate.	25c blue.
2c deep red.	30c green.
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20c orange.	4p red.
10p violet.	

—*Stamp Collecting.*

SPANISH GUINEA.—We have received a new series from this Colony, similar in design to that just issued for Rio de Oro, chronicled above, except that the inscription at foot reads TERRITORIOS ESPANOLES DEL GOLFO DE GUINEA. The values and colours are:—

1c lilac.	25c green.
2c rose.	30c orange.
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SWITZERLAND.—*Schweizeriscshe Briefmarken Zeitung* sends us the very latest Helvetian novelty—the first official Aerial Mail postage stamps for Switzerland. On the morning of April 28 an air post was inaugurated between Zurich and Lausanne, via Berne and Neuchatel, and the current 50c adhesive (seated Helvetian type) was issued, with an overprinted propeller and wings, signifying that it is so specially earmarked for the aerial mail service. The specimen kindly sent by Mr. Reinhard, which is postmarked "Berne *27th* April," has the device in red.—*Stamp Collecting.*

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Discovery has been made by Owen C. Coy, secretary of the commission, through examination of these documents, that as early as April 25, 1851, nearly ten years before the "Pony Express" was started, the United States contracted with George Chorpenning and Absalom Woodward to pay $14,000 a year to have the mail carried once each month between Salt Lake and Sacramento. The contractors agreed to make the 910-mile journey in not more than thirty days. The original route was along the regular emigrant road through Placerville, crossing the Sierras at Carson's Canon, then following along the Carson and Humboldt rivers and around the northern end of Great Salt Lake. In the first journey across the mountains, it took at times a whole day to make two miles through the snow. Before the end of the first year, Woodward was killed by Indians, near Great Salt Lake. Winter proved the northern route impracticable, so, after an unsatisfactory trial of the Feather river route, Chorpenning changed the winter route so that the mails went from Salt Lake to San Pedro and thence on a Panama mail steamer to San Francisco. By 1858 the quantity of mail to be carried increased so much—and also the government remuneration — that Chorpenning was able to run a stage line of four-horse coaches along the mail route. A new route was discovered, south of Great Salt Lake, which shortened the journey a hundred miles.

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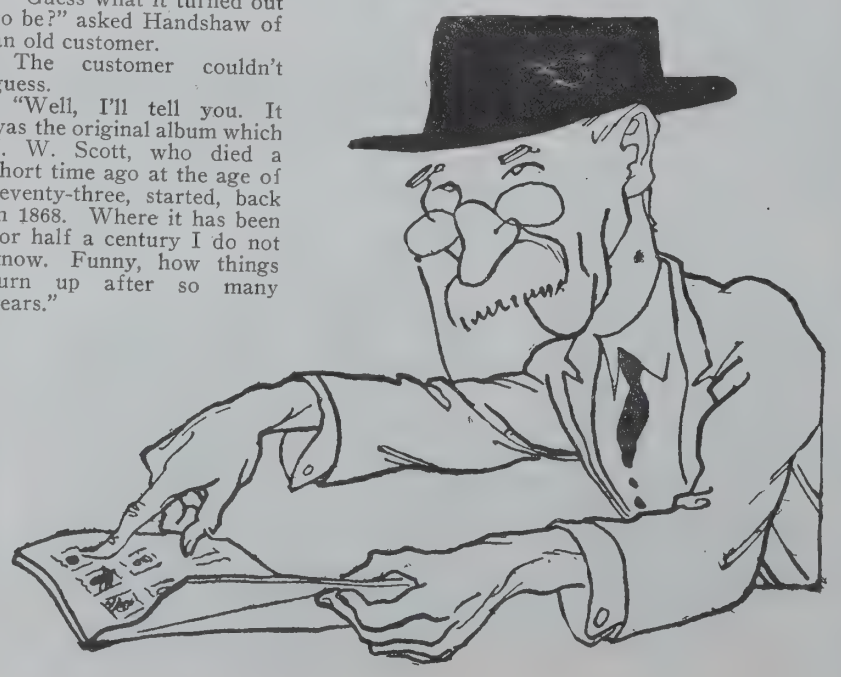

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From the "History of Milwaukee" published by the Western Historical Co., (Chicago, 1881), is taken the following excerpt:—

"The first match factory in the West was established in Milwaukee in 1844 by Robert W. Pierce who came from Massachusetts, bringing the necessary materials with him for the purpose. The business was opened in the upper story of a dwelling house on the corner of 5th and Chestnut Sts. The first year only three hands were employed and $900 worth of matches were manufactured. During the first year the business was run at a loss of $300. The next year (1845), Mr. Pierce built a small factory 16x24 on Walnut St., between 6th and 7th Sts. Here the business was carried on till 1850, when he erected a brick structure directly opposite the old one and transferred his business to it.

The enterprise had gradually grown in importance till the factory produced $40,000 worth of matches annually. The matches were sold throughout the West and South, as far east as Cleveland and South to New Orleans. They were known as the 'Superior Percussion Matches'. In 1860 Mr. Pierce sold to Messrs. Ball, Hill & Greenleaf. After changing hands several times, the business was finally abandoned and the building converted into a starch factory."

R. W. Pierce is listed as a match manufacturer on Walnut St. in the Milwaukee directories for 1847-'49 and from 1854 to 1858 the firm appears as R. W. Pierce & Co., match factory, Walnut St. between 6th and 7th. In 1860 Pierce is listed as a lumber merchant. In 1862-'63 the match factory was operated by D. Daggett & Co., the members of the firm being Daniel Daggett, P. B. Hill and Frank H. Greenleaf. The directory for 1864 does not mention the business but from 1865 to 1867 it was run by Greenleaf & Co., at the Northeast corner of 7th and Walnut Sts. The partners were Frank H. Greenleaf, P. B. Hill and Samuell Ball.

Greenleaf was born in Charlemont, Mass., and came to Milwaukee in 1844, when he was 15 years old. Before and after his adventure in the match business he was a conductor on the LaCrosse & Milwaukee Railroad, the name of which was changed to Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul during the period of his service with it. He retired from the match business about 1867 and from 1868 until 1873 the factory was run by Barber & Co., the partners being Edward Barber, Priam B. Hill and Samuel Ball.

Barber was a native of England who came to Milwaukee in 1847. For a while he was connected with the Milwaukee & Mississippi Railroad and at one time was secretary of the Wisconsin Central. After leaving the match business he went into real estate. He is not known to have been any relation to the members of the Barber match concern of Ohio. The History of Milwaukee states, " * * * * he established a match factory in the city and was successfully engaged in manufacturing matches for eight years. During this time he paid taxes to the government of $1,000,000." Except that Mr. Barber did not establish the factory, did not run it for eight years and did not use a million dollars' worth of match stamps this statement is perfectly correct. The face value of all the stamps from the Greenleaf and altered dies was less than half a million dollars.

An interesting story about Mr. Barber has been told the present writer. It was customary for the Treasury Department to sell the match stamps on credit when a satisfactory bond was given to protect the government against possible loss, and when Mr. Barber made his first purchase of stamps, not having the ready funds he asked a prominent citizen of Milwaukee, whom we may call Mr. X, to go on his bond. Barber knew Mr. X only by reputation and was most agreeably surprised when Mr. X readily consented to his request although the amount was $5,000. Subsequently Barber inquired why Mr. X had been so willing to go on the bond of an almost total stranger for such a large amount, whereupon Mr. X replied that Mr. Barber wasn't exactly a stranger to him for he had been a director of the M & M Railroad when Barber was one of its ticket agents and he knew Barber was honest because Barber was the only ticket agent the road

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143	.06	179	.01	224	.10
144	.01	180	.01	226	.18
145	.01	181	.01	231	.01
146	.01	182	.01	232	.01
147	.01	183	.02	234	.02
149	.01	184	.02	236	.02
151	.02	187	.04	237	.02
*152	.40	188	.05	238	.01
153	.02	189	.01	243	.12
154	.04	190	.01	381	.02
155	.04	191	.01	*383	.03
156	.04	192	.02	384	.05
157	.04	193	.02	*386	.18
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Die approved, Oct. 1, 1864.
First issued, Oct., 1864.
Last issued, May, 1873.
210 stamps per sheet, (14x15).
12,068,849 issued on old paper.
5,449,019 issued on silk paper.

"This die was subject to many changes of ownership, though not all of them are indicated by any changes in the die itself. Commencing with the order of Jan. 26, 1867, the Greenleaf stamps were ordered by the First National Match Co. (Hunn & Co.) of Milwaukee. On Aug. 13, 1867, they were ordered by Barber & Co., also of Milwaukee, who continued to receive them up to Dec. 31st of that year. Commencing with May, 1868, they were received by Barber & Peckham, and after August of that year by Barber & Co. again until the latter were succeeded by Barber, Jones & Co. in December, 1872."

The Milwaukee directories contain no reference to the First National Match Co., to Hunn & Co., nor to Barber & Peckham. Probably these concerns were not in business long enough to become listed. Peckham is quite a common name in Milwaukee and it is not thought this Mr. Peckham was also the Peckham of Barber & Peckham of Middlebury, Ohio, although Barber & Peckham of Ohio went out of business in 1867 and Mr. Peckham may have gone to Milwaukee and engaged in business with Mr. Edward Barber for a short time in 1868.

The 1c Greenleaf die is one of the most beautiful engraved by Butler & Carpenter. The stamp was printed only in Philadelphia. It is an upright rectangle of the usual 1c size bearing a phoenix rising from the flames enclosed in a circular band which is inscribed MILWAUKEE, WIS. above and U. S. INTER. REV. below. A double curved label at the top reads GREENLEAF & CO. with MATCHES just below it and a small numeral "1" above either end. In the lower left corner "ONE" and in the lower right corner "CENT" appears. Floral ornamentation fills out the design.

Both the old paper and the silk paper occur in green and in yellowish green shades and all of them are scarce stamps, very few really fine specimens being known to exist and even ordinary copies are difficult to find. The centering is seldom any better than just fair. The writer has been able to trace only about thirty copies of each paper. If either variety was ever used in multiple, proof of the fact has not been noted. An uncancelled pair on silk paper is on record. The old paper is nearly as scarce as the silk.

Greenleaf & Co., 3c.

Of this denomination the Boston Book states:—

Die approved, Oct. 1, 1864.
First issued, Nov., 1864.
Last issued, Dec., 1872.
170 stamps per sheet, (10x17).
4,319,904 issued on old paper.
1,107,202 issued on silk paper.

Also, "beginning with May, 1875, *Kirby & Sons* received stamps from * * * the Greenleaf & Co. three cent plate." The present writer cannot reconcile this statement with the other statement that the 3c Greenleaf stamp was last issued in Dec., 1872. A copy of the 3c stamp cancelled "Kirby & Sons" would prove the 3c value to have been issued after 1872.

The 3c denomination is a horizontal rectangle of the standard 3c size bearing a phoenix as on the 1c stamp. At either side is a numeral of value. A curved label across the top bears the firm name with MILWAUKEE, WIS. on a ribbon just below, and at the bottom is found MATCHES over U. S. INTER. REV. Straight marginal labels at the sides read THREE at the left and CENTS at the right. Floral ornamentation completes the design which, as a whole, is as handsome a production as any of the other match stamps engraved by Butler & Carpenter.

The color varies somewhat from a medium to a darker lake red that inclines to brownish. The writer has noted between thirty and forty copies on old paper and less than half so many on silk. Both varieties are very scarce in fine condition as most copies are either off center or damaged, or both.

Greenleaf & Co., 5c

Of this denomination the Boston Book states:—

Die approved, Oct. 1, 1864.
First issued, Nov., 1864.
Last issued, Aug., 1872.
170 stamps per sheet, (10x17).
1,096,032 issued on old paper.
68,000 issued on silk paper.

This exceedingly beautiful stamp is exactly like the 3c, only the value being altered. It was used on a package of 500 matches and with one exception—the New York Match Co. 5c—is the only five cent match stamp. Few specimens are in better than fair condition and fine copies are indeed rare. Most of the copies that are not damaged in some way are off center and it seems doubtful if there are half a dozen really perfect specimens in existence. Altogether the writer has been able to trace only about thirty copies.

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est stamps in the world. The shade is redder than the orange of the old paper. Of the few copies known to exist, perhaps seven or eight all told, nearly all are defective if not off center. The fortunate owner of one of these 5c on silk paper has a rarity compared to which Brattleboros and St. Louis postmasters' are almost common!

Of the 1c Greenleaf stamp the Boston Book remarks:— * * * "The stamp bears the various cancellations or surcharges of these firms (Greenleaf & Co., Barber & Co., etc.), but they are mostly very indistinct." The present writer has noted very few of the 1c Greenleaf stamps cancelled but the majority of the 3c and 5c stamps on old paper are cancelled or surcharged. The overprint is often a double circle about 20 mm. in diameter with the date in the center and the firm name between the two circles. It is seldom more than partially legible and was probably handstamped as the worst printer in the world could hardly have done such a poor job.

Greenleaf & Co. probably used less than half of the 1c, 3c and 5c on old paper and none of those on silk paper. The remainder of the old papers and nearly all of the silk paper stamps were used by Barber & Co. No pairs of the 3c and 5c stamps have been noted and neither of these denominations is likely to have been used in multiple.

(To be continued.)

DR. CHASE DECLINES A. P. S. HONORS.

Elsewhere is an advt. in which Dr. Carroll Chase withdraws from the ticket upon which he was nominated for the presidency of the A. P. S. He desires that his position may be known by all A. P. S. members.

MR. HAWKER AS AIR POSTMAN.

The envelope of the historic letter to the *Daily Mail* carried by Mr. Hawker on the first Trans-Atlantic Air Mail, is now on view at Mr. Fred J. Melville's War Stamp Exhibition at 110 Strand, W. C. 2. It bears signs of its long immersion in sea water, and on the reverse side is the familiar post office seal "Found open and officially secured". It is franked with a 3 cents Newfoundland stamp of the "Caribou" issue, overprinted "First Trans-Atlantic Air Post, April 1919", and is postmarked St. John's, Nfld, April 12, 2 p. m. 1919.

IN MEMORIAM—JOHN F. MAYER.

It is with great regret that I am compelled to record the death of John F. Mayer which occurred at his home in Richmond, Virginia, on May 29, 1919, in his 79th year.

A Virginian by birth, he served throughout the Civil War in both the Confederate army and Government Departments in various capacities. He was a 33° Mason.

He was a "stamp-collector" of the old school—genial, kind, and generous—a typical old Virginia gentleman in the full sense of that term. For years he had been a subscriber to the WEEKLY and a member of various philatelic associations. His A. P. S. number was 4363.

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Aside from his stamp collection, which will probably be offered at auction in the near future, he possessed a remarkable "Confederate Scrap-Book", a huge handsomely bound volume into which he had gathered—during and after the war—photographs and autographs, and letters, of every Confederate celebrity, official papers and proclamations, historical newspaper and magazine clippings, rare engravings of that stirring period, and many other relics of great interest. He possessed one of the finest collections of Masonic Books ad Virginia in the south.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Another—Aerial postal communication has been established between St. Louis and Chicago, the first trip letters having been stamped, "Air Mail Service, Jun. 17, 9 A. M., 1919, Chicago." We are obliged to Mr. Justin H. Forrest, city editor of the Chicago *American* for several of the first trip envelopes and we reproduce the enclosure of one of the envelopes : "U. S. Navy, Anti-Submarine Flotilla for the Mississippi River. Saint Louis, Missouri, 16 June 1919. Dear Sir:—This letter is being carried from Saint Louis to Chicago on a United States Flyingboat, the first air mail ever transported between these two cities. These planes, piloted by Lieutenant (j. g.) Henry T. Stanley, Ensign R. W. Arthur and Ensign William S. Grooch, are making the flight from the flotilla now at Saint Louis, following the Illinois river *via* Peoria. The planes have accompanied the flotilla from Key West, Fla., to New Orleans and up the river and are to return. Wells Hawks, Lieutenant Commander USNRF., Accompanying Lieutenant (j. g.) Henry T. Stanley, USN."

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Agitation—In our issue of May 24th, we printed a suggestion that a society of "shut ins" be formed and our contributor worked out a scheme for organization. In several respects this society would be useful, as first of all, it would bring in closer communion those philatelists whose physical limitations make them eligible for membership; and secondly, it establishes a head-quarters where interested and sympathetic collectors may send donations of odd lots with the knowledge that their benefactions will be properly distributed. A number of letters in commendation of the plan have been received both from shut-ins and from those who look with favor upon any plan to cheer the afflicted collector. As it is, every now and then we receive lots of stamps with the request that they be bestowed upon worthy shut-ins; and some time ago, we instituted a campaign for gifts for them that required much extra work for distribution at a busy time of year. Knowing the latent possibilities of a labor of love of this kind, we must decline to take a managerial position in the prosecution of the work, which, of course, has our hearty endorsement. We shall try to interest some responsive philatelist as patron of the society; and in the meantime, we shall extend every encouragement to the formation of the body. A correspondent who says that he "has organized societies from stamp clubs to labor unions" says that the shut-in society will need most careful preparatory work; and he makes the point that the plan should be referred to both the conventions of the American Philatelic Society and the Society of Philatelic Americans for approval and co-operation. No one will say that such a society is unnecessary.

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Assisted—We had some thought of working up a paragraph on the effect of prohibition on philately and had got as far as saying: "Indubitably, the elimination of the intoxicant equation will be as unction to the soul of philately," but this introductory did not sound just right; and then we tried, "ashes," instead of unction," and still we feared that our preamble might be open to misconstruction. However, a clever correspondent saves the day; and by-the-way, he is a writer for whose work publishers pay a big price and he gets nary a cent from us: "Harking back to the golden days of the inimitable Count Lapp de Booz, that sublimated philatelist who had an armor that the flings and arrows of ill-fortune could not dent, I ask if you have had word from him lately; if you have, how does he regard the coming drought?" We have tried to avoid reference to that luminary, Count Lapp de Booz, whose adventures at one time were duly chronicled in our sheet, as truth to tell, the Count has been forced by his friends to live the life of a recluse for some years past at a rest cure. We are pained to learn that he has been amassing secretly quantities of cheap unused stamps, the larger in size the better. The Count says that in the gum of some of the stamps, the alcoholic content is several *per centum;* and so, the inference is that he will not be disturbed by the impending dryness, so long as philately endures.

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Awaiting—What of the literature lovers' society that we have been speaking of for a good many months? We have opinions from a dozen representative men that an organization of the kind should be launched. This is all right as a sort of negative encouragement but what is wanted is constructive enthusiasm. While the society would be acceptable at present and receive perfunctory support, yet there is a force lacking that should vitalize the work. One astute adviser says that we should "hold off a while, until we get our breath after the excitement that we have gone through and the mind naturally reverts to the innocent pleasures of literature." We decline to take a chance that the fragile flower of our society may be trampled under foot by the unthinking host. So, the society will remain *on dit* for some time longer.

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Announced—We have just had word through the Chinese post office at Peking that the new 1½ cent and 13 cent Chinese stamps, the subject of an official notification some time ago, will not be issued until the autumn. We hear that at Shanghai a good bit of interest is shown in the surcharges of the U. S. set which are to be issued July 1st.

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Asked—A correspondent asks "Can you tell me the reason for a cancellation in purple, 'Passed by Censor—July,' initials in ink, enclosed in a rectangular frame, on two one cent stamps of the current type, on a letter addressed to Lincoln, Illinois." We do not remember ever having seen an impression of this kind on a letter that originated in this country and with an address in the United States, but there may be some simple explanation to account for it.

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Across—This inquiry comes from a philatelic student: "When mail at the time of the gold excitement in California was sent there from the east and *vice versa* over the Isthmus of Panama route, what postal regulations had this country with the Colombian Republic? I refer to general mail and not that carried by private enterprise." The only pertinent information that we have is found in the postmaster-general's report for 1849: "The transportation of the mail across the Isthmus, being in a foreign country, is the proper subject-matter of a treaty, and is not within the power of this department. It is, however, respectfully suggested that this service, now done by the government of New Granada, is very tardily and carelessly performed, and the compensation under the treaty probably inadequate. A new arrangement should immediately be made by treaty as reliable information has been received that they would willingly yield up this service." No doubt, a search through the different post office reports of the period covered by the question of our reader would be attended with helpful results. Should he find anything of philatelic interest in his investigations we should be pleased to hear from him, as a fascination clings to mail matter that was carried over the Isthmus route.

ST. LOUIS STAMP AUCTION.

Attention is called to the Henry A. Diamant quarter page advertisement to be found in this issue. It will be a feature of the convention week of the American Philatelic Society which meets in St. Louis the latter part of August. Note that good stamps are solicited and there will be no charge for selling. Here is a good opportunity for members of the Association and others to not only dispose of stamps not wanted but also to make successful this feature of the convention.

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"NARCOTIC" INVERTS.

By PERCY MCG. MANN.

The Documentary Revenue stamps which were overprinted for the purpose of making the provisional "Narcotic" revenue stamps for the Philadelphia district, are, as most collectors know, printed in sheets of 1600 subjects. These large sheets are then cut into 400 subject sheets before perforating. Each 400 subject sheet is divided into panes of 100 subjects each (10x10) by a guide line running through the center in vertical and horizontal positions. To the left and to the right of each vertical guide line, at top, and also at bottom, I believe, over the very center of each top pane of 100 stamps, and under the very center of each bottom pane of 100 stamps there is an imprint, for instance, "4 CENT DOCUMENTARY. PLATE 1953". This would occur, as one would see, over the fifth and sixth stamps in the top row of each pane of 100. In a reference block which I have, the imprint extends over the fifth, sixth and seventh stamps.

The Philadelphia "Narcotic" overprint was applied by a handstamp containing five horizontal duplicates of the word "Narcotic". Five stamps were overprinted at one impression of the handstamp. The procedure was to imprint the first five stamps in a horizontal row and then the next five, or go down vertically imprinting the first five stamps in each row and then down the second column of rows of five. Thus, under the plate imprint on the top margin the end of the handstamp would show on the fifth stamp and the beginning of it would show on the sixth stamp, on account of uneven alignment. As far as I know, very few inverted overprints have been found. Double imprints have been caused by hasty application of the handstamp, the same row having been struck twice, undoubtedly and purely through accident. Other doubles have been caused by too little ink at the end of handstamp, making a faint imprint on the last stamp in a row of five. In this case, the operator would, if he thought the imprint too light, in the case of the fifth vertical row of the sheet, turn the handstamp sideways and imprint vertically down this fifth row of stamps, and in the case of the tenth vertical row, he would give the light one a second dab with the front end of the handstamp and the second word would appear in the margin. Under these circumstances, I have seen the 1c, with black surcharge, with double horizontal overprint; double, one horizontal and one diagonal and double, one horizontal and one vertical. I have also seen the 8c double horizontal and the $1 double, one horizontal and one vertical, all black surcharge. I have also seen the 5c red surcharge double horizontal. I have not, however, seen the 50c inverted surcharge, Scott's No. 4311a, altho' I believe this is absolutely authentic and accidental.

There has been offered to me, in Philadelphia, a set of blocks of twenty-five (5x5), with plate imprint at top, of all or most all the low values up to 50c overprinted "Narcotic" normally imprinted with the exception of the third horizontal row which is inverted. On the face of it, (the stamps were offered to me by telephone call), I called the lot a deliberate attempt to hoodwink the public. By what chance the overprints were made, I know not. I believe the Government will not sell the stamps to anyone but those who are legitimately entitled to purchase them for regular use, thereby opening a way for the misuse of the handstamp by some employee of the Collector of Internal Revenue Office, to oblige a "friend".

The original method of overprinting excludes the possibility of accident, such as displayed in the blocks of twenty-five with plate number recorded above, as the overprinting was not originally done in the way shown by these blocks, which were undoubtedly "handstamped to order," with the intention of making a variety for collectors.

It gives me pleasure to know that I recorded the method of overprinting when the stamps were first issued and to be able to warn collectors.

While I have not seen them, I believe the overprint is in violet, but, of course, most any color ink pad could have been used.

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We were compelled to write Mr. Foster that we already have a waiting list and that we should be very pleased to add his name to the same. For the benefit of our numerous advertisers we herewith present the list in the order that applications have been filed:—

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(3) J. M. Bartels Co. (6) B. W. H. Poole.

While we recognize the desirability of a first page location, we venture to say that there is no paper printed in which the advertising throughout is more carefully read than in this publication. We have frequently been advised by subscribers that they make it their first duty and pleasure to see what is advertised before perusing the reading matter.

THE MANAGING EDITOR.

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Middle Congo 1916, 5 on 10c* ..... .88
Ubangai 1916, 5 on 10c* ..... .48
New Caledonia 5 on 15c* ..... .08
Cameroons 1916, 1, 2, 5, 10c* ..... .10

FR. MOROCCO 1914, 25 on 25c, No. 2445 .04
1914, 35 on 35c, No. 2446 .07

FR. MOROCCO 1914, 50 on 50c, No. 2448 .10
1914, 1pe on 1fr,No.2449 .20

SAN MARINO '18, 2c-31 schgd. 5c* 1.75
1918, 2c-45c schgd. 5c .. .50

TUNIS 1916, 10c on 15, 20, 25, 35, 40c* .50
1916, 10c on 1fr* ..... .30

TUNIS 1918, 15c on 20, 25, 40, 75c* .... .40
1918, 15c on 1fr* ..... .32

ITALIAN ISSUES

Benadir 5 on 15c, No. 102* ..... .35
ERITREA 5 on 15c, No. 152* ..... .35
5 on 15 on 20c, No. 154* .... .25
Libia 5 on 15c, No. 1352 ..... 1.20
Rodi 1917, 20c, No. 1859* ..... .25

ITALY 5 on 15c, No. 192* ..... .10
5 on 20c, No. 193* ..... .15

ITALY 25c Aero, No. 215* ..... .15
Libia, No. 1354* ..... .17

ITALY **Libia**, No. 1351* ..... .05
Libia, No. 1353* ..... .09

ITALIAN OCCUPATION OF AUSTRIA

There are some REAL rarities among these stamps.

Occupation of Trieste—Italian stamps surcharged "Venezia Giulia"
1c brown* ..... .65
2c orange brown* ..... .65
5c green* ..... .06
10c rose* ..... .10
20c orange* ..... .15
25c blue* ..... .18
45c olive* ..... .35
1l brown and green* 2.00

Trieste—Austrian stamps surcharged "Venezia Giulia"
6h orange* 1.75
12h blue green* 2.50
30h violet* 1.75

SET OF 14 3, 5, 6, 10, 12, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 60, 80h, 1k* 37.50

Dues 5c orange & black* ..... .22
Dues 10c orange & black* ..... .23

Occupation of Trent—Austrian stamps surcharged Regno d' Italia, Trentino, 3 Nov., 1918.
3, 5, 6, 10, 12, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 60, 80h, 1kr* 132.00
Same as above used 135.00

Trent—Italian stamps sur. "Venezia Tridentina".
1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 40, 45, 40c, 1l 19.00
1c brown* ..... .45
2c orange brown* ..... .50
10c rose* ..... .20
5h on 5c green* ..... .05
10h on 10c rose* ..... .10

Trente—Italian stamps sur. "centesimi di corona".
1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 25c* ..... .30
1l green and brown* ..... .45
25c rose Express* ..... .12

We have some other odd values of the above, in some cases 100 each being issued and of many only a thousand or so.

FIUME A few on hand and others expected and will submit to those interested.

GERMAN EAST AFRICA

G. E. A. Belgian Occ. 5, 10, 15, 25,40,50c* .65
G. E. A. " 1fr bistre & black* 40
G. E. A. " 5frs orange & black* 1.75
G. E. A. " 1918, 10 on 5, 15 on 10, 20 on 15, 25 on 25, 40 on 40, 50 on 50c* ..... .90
G. E. A. " 1918, 1fr on 1fr* ..... .58
G. E. A. " 1918, 5fr on 5frs* 2.75
G. E. A. " 1918, 10fr on 10frs* 5.25
G. E. A. N. F. (Nyasaland Forces) Br. Occupation ½, 1, 3, 4p*, rare.. 8.90

Greece 1 on 80l blue, No. 311 ..... .40

HEJAZ (Mecca) 1916, ½pi, No. 2, rare 1.75
(Mecca) 1917, ½pi orange. No. 4 .07

HEJAZ (Mecca) 1917, 1pa lilac, No. 8.. .10
(Mecca) 1917, 5pa orange, No. 9 .10
(Mecca) 1917, 10pa grn., No. 10 .15
1, 2, 3, 4, 5m* ..... .25

PALESTINE 1pi blue used ..... .08
1, 2, 5pi* ..... .98

LIBERIA 2 on 1c, 2 on 2c, 2 on 5c* .... .25
2c on 1c to $5 comp.* 17.50

MESOPOTAMIA ½ on 10c* ..... .20
1 on 20c* ..... .20

MESOPOTAMIA ½ on 5, ½ on 10, 2 on 10, 2½ on 1pi, 3 on 1½, 4 on 1½,6 on 2,8 on 2½,12on5* 2.75

MOZAMBIQUE 1916, Nos. 325, 326* ... .18
1917, 1c green, No. 381* .22

MOZAMBIQUE 1917, 5c rose, No. 382*.. .45
1918, 1c, 5c, Nos. 327,328* .20

CEYLON War Tax 1 on 55c, 2, 3, 5c, 1 on 5c*, 5 values ..... .25

JAMAICA ½p orange, No. 305 ..... .07
1½p orange, No. 308 ..... .04

NO. BORNEO 2 on 2c, No. 415 ..... .35
2 on 4c, No. 417 ..... .35

Newfoundland, 5c Money Order Stamp .60

RHODESIA ½ on 1p, No. 138 ..... 1.00
½ on 1p, No. 139* 1.25

St. Vincent, War Tax 1p, No. 201* .... .80
St. Helena, War Tax 1p, No. 101* .... .10
Montserrat 1917, ½p, No. 101* ..... .10
Togo 1915, 3p violet, No. 77 ..... 1.75

EUROPE

We have held off buying many of the New Republic issues, for our own and customers protection, but expect shipments on nearly all of them soon.

Lithuania 5, 10, 15c* ..... .45
Russia, Nos. 142, 143, 144* ..... .30
Bolshevicki 35, 70h* ..... .90
Nos. 105, 106, 107* ..... .40
Switzerland, Pro-Juventute, 8 var.* .. 2.75

We are expecting arrivals of Poland. Poland on German, Jugo Slavia, Galicia. Lettland, Czech Slovac, and many others. If you want War stamps, leave an order with us to send them as fast as they come in.

CHINA **Italian**—Pechino 1, 2, 10c* .... .27
Italian—Tientsin 1, 2, 10c* .... .27

SCANDINAVIANS

Always popular and in demand there are many stamps here that one seldom strikes in a dealer's stock, though not high priced.

DENMARK 1912, 35 on 20o ..... .18
1912, 5k red, No. 84 ..... .55

DENMARK 1913, 50o, 1k ..... .07
1913, 2k gray ..... .09

DENMARK 1913, 5k red, No. 99 ..... .58
1918, Prov. 27o on 1o*, 27 on 7o*, 27 on 10o*, 27 on 20o*, 27 on 29o*, each .... .20

DENMARK 27 on 1o olive* ..... .25
27 on 5o blue* ..... .35

DENMARK 27 on 8o green* ..... .32
27 on 38o orange* rare 1.45

DENMARK 27 on 41o brown* ..... .35
27 on 68o brown* ..... .98

DENMARK 27 on 1k green & brown*.. .25
27 on 5k rose & green* .. .45
27 on 10k bistre and blue* .65

FINLAND 1917. 40p red violet ..... .05
1917, 50p brown ..... .10

FINLAND 1917, 1m rose & black .... .12
1917, 5m violet & black .... .85
1917, 10m brown & black .. 1.75

NORWAY 1877, 60o blue ..... .06
1883, 12o brown ..... .23

NORWAY 1905, 1k on 2s, No. 69 ..... .30
1905, 2k on 2s, No. 70 ..... .68

NORWAY 1909, 2k rose, No. 81 ..... .13
1911, 1kr green ..... .05

NORWAY 1911, 1kr 50o blue (cat. 40c) .17
1911, 2kr rose (cat. 30c) .... .13
1917, 40o green ..... .02

SWEDEN 1910, 20o blue, No. 75 ..... .06
1910, 25o orange, No. 76 .... .08

NOTICE!

See Approval Offer for one of the most liber offers ever made. Look this adv. over. It h some "hard ones" in it. If you do not see wh you want ask us for it. Our stock is one of t largest in America.

SWEDEN 1910, 5 krone claret on yellow, Nice copies of this good stamp, Cat. $1.50 each ..... .68

SWEDEN 1917, 1.98 on 5kr 1.00
1917, 2.12 on 5kr 1.10

SWEDEN 1917, 40o olive green ..... .05
1918, 7o on 10o red ..... .03

SWEDEN 1918, 12o on 25o orange ..... .05
1918, 12 on 65o green ..... .07

SWEDEN 1918, 12o carmine ..... .01
1918, 27 on 55o blue ..... .17

SWEDEN 1918, 27 on 65o green ..... .18
1918, 27 on 80o black ..... .20

SWEDEN 1918, 90o green ..... .12
1910. Off. 15o No. 238 ..... .03

SWEDEN 1910, 5 krone Off. Nice copies and a scarce stamp. Cat. $1.25 .49

SWEDEN 1910, 50o gray Off. ..... .07
1916, 20, 25. 30, 35, 50o Off... .15

NORWAY 1919, 5 krone, violet. Fine copies 1.25

B. W. I. 20th

Fine used copies are several times rarer than unused in most cases. We offer superb used copies while they last as follows

ANTIGUA 1903, 2p, No. 23 ..... .12
1903, 3p, No. 25 ..... .45

CAYMAN IS. 1907, 1p red, No. 22 .... .06
1907, 2½p blue, No. 23 .... .20

CAYMAN IS. 1907, 3p violet, No. 24 .. .20
1907, 6p violet, No. 26 .... .30

CAYMAN IS. 1907, 1sh green, No. 27 .. .55
1913, 3p violet, No. 43 w. b. .45

GRENADA 1906, 6p violet, No. 73 .... 1.35
1906, 2p yellow, No. 70 .... .13

GRENADA 1914, 3p, No. 89, w. b. .... .25
1914, 1sh, No. 90 ..... .58

LEEWARD IS. 1902, 2p, No. 22 ..... .22
1902. 2½, No. 23 ..... .13

LEEWARD IS. 1902, 3p, No. 24 ..... .25
1907, 3p, No. 41 ..... .20

LEEWARD IS. 1907, 2½p, No. 40 ..... .10
1907, 6p, No. 42 ..... .65

ST. LUCIA 1904, 2½p, No. 52 ..... .35
1904, 6p, No. 54 ..... .65

ST. LUCIA 1907, 3p, No. 60 ..... .20
1907, 6p, No. 61a 1.00

ST. LUCIA 1907, 1sh, No. 62 ..... .65
1907, 2½p, No. 59 ..... .10
1913, 4p, No. 73 ..... .35

ST. VINCENT 1907, 2p, No. 92 ..... .40
1909, 2½p, No. 101 ..... .15

ST. VINCENT 1909, 3p, No. 102 ..... .20
1909, 6p, No. 103 ..... .40

TRINIDAD 1902, 4p, No. 88 ..... .22
1904, 1sh, No. 97 ..... .75

TRIN. & TOB. 1914. 1sh No. 9, W. B. scarce stamp ..... .60

TURKS IS. 1909, 2p gray, No. 15 .... .35

TURKS IS. 1909, 2½p blue, No. 16 .... .75

TURKS IS. 1909, 3p violet, No. 17 .... .27

TURKS IS. 1909, 6p violet, No. 19 .... .90

TURKS IS. 1909, 1sh green, No. 20 .... .75

VIRGIN IS. 1905, ½p, No. 10 ..... .08

VIRGIN IS. 1904, 2½p. No. 32 ..... .15
1904, 3p, No. 33 ..... .22

VIRGIN IS. 1904, 6p, No. 34 ..... .30
1904, 1sh, No. 35 ..... .55

Remember the above are superb copies. It's a chance seldom offered if one wants used copies. Our stock is small.

UNITED STATES OFFERS

Our stock of most U. S. is too small to offer here so want lists are in order for anything you wish not offered.

1869, 1c buff ..... .50
1871, 1c blue* 1.45
1871, 1c blue*, No. 145, entire half sheet with margins. Fine but no gum ..95.00
1871, 6c carmine ..... .09
1873, 15c orange* 7.75
1893, Columbus 15c green ..... .17
1895, 50c orange ..... .12
1898, 50c green Omaha ..... .65
1898, 1c, 2, 4, 5, 8, 10c Omaha ..... .23
1901, Buffalo 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 10c ..... .25
1904, Louisiana 1, 2, 3, 5, 10c ..... .15
1912, 50c violet, No. 365 ..... .11
$1. No. 368 ..... .19
50c, No. 367 ..... .07
1914, $1, No. 386 ..... .15
1916, 50c violet, No. 405 ..... .06
$1 brown, No. 406 ..... .15
1917, 50c violet, No. 426 ..... .05
$1 brown, No. 427 ..... .13
1912, 50c Parcels Post ..... .07
75c Parcels Post ..... .12
$1 Parcels Post ..... .15

HIGH VALUE UNITED STATES, ETC.

$2.00 1916, $2 blue (scarce) ..... .60
1918, $2 red and black ..... .68

$5.00 1916, $5 green, good copies .... .95
1916, $5 green, superb copies .. 1.35

$5.00 1916, $5 green (block of four).. 6.75
1918. $5 green and black (fine) 1.25

$1.00 1916, $1 block of 4, No. 406 .... 1.00
1917, $1 block of 4, No. 427 .... .75

$1.00 1912, $1 Parcel Post, block of 6 1.75
1916, $1 No. 406, strip of 4 .... .90
1916, $5 green, nice pairs, hor. or vert. 2.75

U. S. IMP. 1908, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c Horiz. or Vert. line block of 4 mint Per set 1.6

U. S. IMP. Entire sheet of 240 Hudson-Fulton imp. 2c. Beautiful thing for any stamp den 14.9

U. S. IMP. 2c Lincoln, 2c Hudson-Fulton imp. used or new in blocks of four. Each .. .2

NEWSPAPERS

1875, 8c black (Indian) ....
10c black (Indian) 1.00
9c black (Indian) 7.50

We have other Newspapers. What you want?

Parcel Post Dues, 1, 2, 5, 10, 25c.. ..
Parcel Post Dues, 25c green .... .75
Entire env., No. 2303, fine, used..20.00
U. S. Tel., Nos. 3325 to 3328* 4.75
Tel., 1910, No. 3553* 1.00
Pacific Postal Teleg. Co. (scarce) 10c, 15c, 40c, 50c each stamp (cat. $4) ..

U. S. REVENUES

Others at half list in most cases. Let u know what you want.

10c Bill of Lading, imp. .....
$1 Lease, imp. .....
2c orange Playing Cards .....
2nd Issue 3c blue and black .....
20c blue and black .....
$1.50 blue and black .....
1914, 3c, No. 4078, scarce .....
2c, No. 4077, scarce as 3c .....
4, 5, 10, 25, 40, 50c postage paper
$1, $2, $3, $5, Rev. paper .....

We have about everything in revs. except the rarities and have some of them What do you want?

UNITED STATES APPROVALS.

Selections of all lines for all classes, bu we much prefer a want list as it saves u sending only just those you need and los of sales. Prices will be as reasonable a any. We might mention especially ou books of

ENVELOPES Some nice lots of cut square at less than half list in many cases.

M. & M. Many hundred dollars worth o these popular stamps (Match &

OTHER Medicine) Postage, used and new Depts., Newspapers, Telegraphs

BOOKS Dues, Revenues, etc.

U. S. "JUMBOS" Two books in our "Jumbo" series are O. K. for those with collections not too far advanced No. 24 U. S. postage, Depts., etc., value about $25 to $35 net, and No. 31 U. S. Revenues, value about $25 net. See our list of approval books for details.

AERO STAMPS.

6c orange* ..... .09
16c green* ..... .20

24c AERO red and blue ..... .32
same, used ..... .22

24c AERO used block of four 1.00
Center line block 2.00

24c AERO "Top" plate block in red or blue, top or left arrow block. Each block of 4 ..

24c AERO Block of 12 showing two plate imprints, and arrow block. Handsome piece .. 4.90

24c AERO Right or top arrow blocks of 4, superb and cheap .... 1.90.

Closing out our Aero covers. No time to keep up in them. The following are cheap while they last. Not a great many left of any of them.

24c AERO N. Y.—Wash. Last day of rate on cover with nice Aero cancellation ..... .75

16c AERO Top plate block, top and left arrow blocks, center block. Each block of 4 .. 1.25

16c AERO Chicago—N. Y. "Pathfinder" trip, Sept. 9th on cover Nice cover ..... .50

16c AERO Bellefonte, Pa—Chicago, 1st regular trip Dec. 18th, 1918 ..... .50

16c AERO Bryan O.—Chicago, 1st regular trip Dec. 20, 1918 .50

16c AERO Cleveland O.—Chicago. 1st regular trip Dec. 18th, '18 (Only 12 covers) 1.25

16c AERO Newark N. Y.—Wash. Sep. 14th on cover (fine can.) .50

The above covers are very interesting and we have only a very few of each to sell or offer, and will not last long.

U. S.—HAYTI Cover from American Occupation forces in Hayti, showing fine special postmark, etc., on 3c U. S. stamp. Very interesting and not common ..... .25

$5 U. S. FREE

$5 green 1916
$5 green and black 1918

Either one of these $5 (your choice) free with an order of $10 or more from this list of offers.

HAYTI

under Uncle Sam's wing at present. The llowing stamps are "hard-to-get" ones at are seldom offered and priced by cost d not the catalog.

06, 7c gray* ..... .12
8c carmine* ..... .15
20c blue green* ..... .32
50c red* ..... .75
1pi claret* 1.45
12, 7c orange red, No. 168* ..... .15
10c brown, No. 170* ..... .22
15c yellow, No. 171* ..... .30
1p red, No. 173* 1.45
14, 3c brown, No. 183* ..... .07
4c lake, No. 184* ..... .08
8c carmine, No. 187* ..... .20
7c gray, No. 186* ..... .15
15c slate green, No. 189* ..... .30
20c blue green, No. 190* ..... .40
1pi claret, No. 192* 1.45
20c green and black, No. 200* .... .40
4c olive, No. 206* ..... .10
7c orange red, No. 207* ..... .15
8c olive, No. 208* ..... .20
10c red brown, No. 209* ..... .22
50c yellow, No. 211* ..... .85
1pi red, No. 212* 1.45

Above are usually missing from collections.

ABYSSINIA

05, Nos. 43 to 49, scarce* 3.95
12. Nos. 94 to 100, scarce 25.00
08, 1p on 2g, No. 79* 7.75
17, Nos. 101 to 107* inverted sur.* .. 9.50
Nos. 108 to 115*, inverted sur..... 15.00
2g blue, No. 111* rare 2.50
¼ on 8g. No. 116* ..... .35
½ on 8g, No. 117* ..... .35
1g on 16g, No. 118* ..... .50
2g on 16g, No. 119* ..... .60
Nos. 116, 117, 118, 119* inv. sur.* 9.50
Nos. 219 to 225 ..... 4.00
Nos. 226 to 232 ..... 4.50
Nos. 108 to 117* double sur.* 14.00

USTRIA 1913, 72h brown ..... .12

RAZIL 1906, 700r brown ..... .08
1910, 10,000r brown 1.20

RAZIL 1915, 2,000r blue ..... .09
1917, 5,000r brown ..... .25

RAZIL 1919, 1,000r green ..... .06
1919, 5,000 violet ..... .35

ulgaria No. 55a* 5.00

HINA 1878, 1c green* 1.20
1878, 3c red ..... .30

HINA **Thibet** Nos. 401, 402 ..... .12
Shanghai, No. 143* ..... .95

		Cat.	Net
ONGO	1908, 5c, 10c, Nos. 31, 32*	.35	.15
	1908, 50c, No. 36	.40	.19
ONGO	1908, 1fr, No. 37	.50	.23
	'08, 5frs red & blk., No. 39	2.00	.98
ONGO	1909, 50c olive & black...	.50	.23
	See War stamps for other Congo.		
OSTA RICA	'01, 10col red & grn.*	4.00	1.75
	1907, 20c, 25c*	.90	.40
OSTA RICA	1910, 1col brown....	.50	.23
	1911, 2c on 10c, No. 94...		4.75
RETE	1898, Nos. 2, 3, 4 or 5* each	.20	.08
	1899, Nos. 40, 43, 45, 46* ea.	.50	.22
OMINICAN REP	'11, 10c red vio.&blk.*	.20	.07
	'11, 1p violet & blk.	1.00	.48

ECUADOR

A few offers in the better values of this ountry. We have a good stock of others ot listed here.

865, 1r yellow*, No. 1a ..... 1.25 .55
872, ½r blue, No. 7a* ..... 2.00 .58
895, 1s carmine*. No. 53 ..... 3.00 .68
896, 10 on 4c*, No. 73 ..... .35 .11
897, 50c orange, No. 82* ..... 2.50 .88
50c orange, No. 90 ..... .25 .10
20c black, No. 97* ..... .50 .19
5s blue, No. 100a 1.50
5s blue, No. 112 ..... 4.00 1.58
906, 3 on 5c*, No. 164a ..... 2.00 .69
3 on 20c*, No. 164b* 3.00 1.15
897, 20c blue, No. 406* 2.50 1.10
10c, 20c*, No. 541 or 542*, ea. 1.75 .65
896, Dues 20, 50, 100c* ..... .83 .32
886, Off. 10c orange* ..... .75 .29
Off. 10c orange, inv.* ..... 1.00 .39
20c violet, inv.* ..... 1.00 .33
50c green, inv.* ..... 2.00 .95
887, Off. 2c vermilion, inv.* .... 1.00 .37
5c blue* ..... .50 .17
5c blue, inv.* ..... .75 .22
896, Off. 1c to 5p, Nos. 734-741 .. 2.75 .98
897, Off. 20c black, No. 746* .... 1.25 .38
1, 2, 5c, Nos. 756, 757, 758*, ea. 2.50 .65
Same inverted sur., each*... .. 1.00
10, 20, 50c, Nos.759.760,761*,ea. 3.00 .78
Same inverted sur., each* 1.35
1s black, No. 762* 3.75 1.10
Same inverted sur.* 2.00
50c black, No. 782* 3.75 1.50
20c black, No. 774* ..... .65 .23

EGYPT 1867, 1pi rose red* ..... .50 .19
1914, 50m violet ..... .30 .09

EGYPT 1914, 100m black ..... .65 .19
Off. 1907, 5pi gray ..... .20 .08

EGYPT Off. 1913, 5m, No. 209* .. .75 .23
Off. Nos. 217, 218, 223* .. .. .15

SOUDAN 1898, 2pi blue & black .. .13
1898, 5pi brown & green .. .27

SOUDAN 1898, 10pi purple & blk. .. .27
1902, 2pi blue & black.. .30 .11

SOUDAN 1902, 5pi brown & green .40 .14
1907, 10pi purple & blk. .. .29
1902,O.S.G. S. 1,3.5m,1.2pi .41 .19

EPIRUS 1914, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 25, 30, 40, 50l*, not a common set .. .75

FINLAND 1892, 50p ..... .35
See War stamps.

GERMANY North German Postal District ⅓g green, nice copies No. 2 ..... .13

ALSACE LORRAINE 1870, 1c olive* .. .65
1870, 2c red brn.* 1.75

ALSACE LORRAINE 1870, 4c gray* ... 1.50
1870, 25c brown* 1.25
'70, 4c gray*No.92* 2.50

GERMANY 1872, ⅓thgr violet* ..... .10
1872, 1g green* ..... .05

BAVARIA 1850, 18kr yellow (average) 1.90
1862. 18k red (average) 1.70

WURTEMBERG 1875, 2m orange. A perfection un'd copy of this rare stamp....25.00

We can submit some nice approvals of the old German States including many of the rare ones.

GUATEMALA 1902, 2p red & black .25 .11
1911, 5p red & black .75 .29

GUATEMALA '11, 25c blue & blk. .10 .04
Let's see your Guat. want list.

A FEW FRENCH COLONIALS.

Fr. Canton 1908, 75c red & black ..... .13
China 1907, 10 on 25c, No. 862 .... .07
Oceanica 1892, 25c ..... .15
Annam & Tonkin 1888, 1 on 4c* ..... .35
1888, 5 on 10c ..... .35
1888, 5 on 10c, No. 6 ..... .35
1888, 1 on 4c* ..... .35
Gabon 1910, 1 2, 4, 5c* ..... .13
Indo China 1900, 15c gray ..... .09
Senegal 1906, 25c ..... .10
1913, 45c ..... .12
1913, 1fr ..... .20
Tunis 1906, 1fr red & brown ..... .13
1906, 5fr violet & blue ..... .65
P. P. 2frs red & blue ..... .07

Good approval lots of French Colonials for buyers.

ICELAND 1901, 25a* ..... .32
1902, 25a green & brown .... .13

ICELAND 1902, 40a violet ..... .18
1911, 15a violet ..... .04

HONDURAS 1915, 5 on 10c, No. 173 .. .45
'11, 10c blue, No. 289* .. .50

HONDURAS '13. 20 on 50c, No. 298* 1.00 .39
1913, 10c, No. 299* .. 1.00 .45

ITALY 1901, 5l blue and rose .. .25 .11
1903, 50l, No. 281 ..... .30 .13

JAPAN 1908, 5y green ..... .15 .06
1908, 10y violet ..... .30 .14

JAPAN 1914, 5y green .... .15
1914, 10y violet .... .35

JAPAN 1915, Nos. 140 to 143 ..... .52 .17
1916, Nos. 144, 145 ..... .18 .07

JAPAN **China** 5, 10, 25, 25s, 1914.... .. .10
China 1914, 1y .... .10

JAPAN **China** 1902 5y green 1.75
China 1902, 10y violet 2.60

LIBERIA 1884, 12c or 24c* each.... .50 .18
1906, 1c to $5 .... 3.95

LIBERIA 1909, 1c to 75c .... .85
1916, 2 on 15c*, No. 136 .. .07

LIBERIA 1916, 3 on 6c, No. 157* ..... .13
1917, 4 on 25c* ..... .17

LIBERIA 1906, Off. 1c to $5 comp. 3.95
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Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

SHANGHAI SILVER EXCHANGE.

By THEODORE SIDDALL.

I read in a late issue an article treating of the exchange rate between Mexican and gold money, referring especially to the new surcharged U. S. stamps for Shanghai, China. The article has one serious misstatement, in that it assumes that the exchange rate being quoted at "125", means that for a gold (U. S.) dollar you get $1.25 Mexican.

The exchange quoted in the financial circles is given at "125", we will say, on a given date. This means that for $1.25, U. S. money, you get one Shanghai tael. The ratio between the value of the Shanghai tael and the Mexican dollar is, that the Mexican dollar is worth 73 tael cents, or candareens, or to put it the other way round, a tael is worth $1.37 Mexican. By a little figuring you will find that a gold dollar at exchange 125, will bring you about $1.11 Mexican.

The figures above are given without the fractions or decimals, but in practice there are very few days on which the price comes out in even cents. There is generally a good long decimal fraction, sometimes carried out to the third or fourth decimal; also the rate of 73 tael cents or candareens to the dollar is not exact; the Chinese dollars are stamped with the value, 7 mace and 2 candareens, which is 72 tael cents. The fact is also that the rate varies from day to day. The exchange rate fixed by the post office for postal money orders is fixed from time to time but is not often as favorable as the bank rate; but then the banks do not care to trouble with small drafts such as the post office generally handles.

One man's opinion as to the future course of silver exchange is as good as another's. It may go up, and it may come down. But if you had $100 with which to speculate in exchange in China, and not only knew the next move that exchange would take, but bought or sold accordingly, inside of six months you would be a millionaire. There are 7,486 capitalists in Shanghai alone all playing the silver market, but the course of the price of silver is so uncertain that instead of any of them becoming millionaires, many of them are going in the other direction. From the above your readers who are thinking of buying a set of stamps based on the silver currency may determine whether or not it will be wise to wait for a drop in the price of silver. While they are waiting for the drop, the stamps may become obsolete, and then there will be a new factor injected into the problem.

There is a saying in China that if a traveler started at one end of China with $1000 in silver, and changed his money into the local currency at each town on his route (each town's idea of the value of silver is a little different from any other town's idea), by the time he arrived at the other end of China, and without spending a cent of his $1000, he would have nothing left, all having been consumed in paying the fractional exchange which is shaved off in each conversion of the money. This is the explanation of why the French have made so many surcharges for the different towns where they have offices, also is the reason for the surcharge "China" on Hong Kong stamps, and is the reason for the surcharge on U. S. stamps. The American office in Shanghai formerly kept fairly close to the bank rate of exchange, until the latter got above 50 cents gold to the Mexican dollar. They kept the rate at $2 Mexican for $1 gold even when the bank rate was $1.04 Mexican to $1 gold, but at the same time were obliged to sell their stamps for U. S. money when demanded. If you remember what has been stated above as to the daily fluctuation of the rate, you will be able to see that under the circumstances it would be an intricate job to keep an accurate account of receipts, and the postmaster at Shanghai has made several attempts to get authority to mark the stamps to distinguish them, and naturally, now that the surcharged set is authorized, unsurcharged stamps will not be accepted for use there, and stamps bought there must be paid for in Mexican money at the prices that have been charged on them.

ADDENDA.

Have just received and read the issue of June 14, and notice a considerable amount re Shanghai surcharges. I wrote you a screed bearing on this subject and I offer a further word. I may have been wrong in thinking that the unsurcharged stamps would not be accepted for postage in Shanghai after the surcharges were introduced—but I don't think so in spite of the local paper clipping you mention as saying they would both be accepted. If the two kinds are used concurrently, nobody but collectors will use the surcharged, because people out in China are just as keen on getting cheaply as are people here.

On page 206 you quote from a circular of the Third Assistant P. M. General, advising that the rate of exchange would be about 80 cents gold to the Mexican dollar. With all deference to his official status, he is wrong. Today's rate for demand drafts, which is the rate you would pay if you took out a draft on Shanghai, is 126. For $1.26 U. S. money, you get a Shanghai tael, and the Shanghai tael is within a small fraction of a cent of $1.37 Mexican. Therefore, for $1.26 gold you will get $1.37 Mexican, which makes a Mexican dollar cost you between 91 and 92 cents gold and not 80 cents.

I may be wrong in thinking the two sets won't be available concurrently. If they are, who is going to pay $1.83 for what he can get, at the same shop, with no more trouble? Business people don't do it, and the surcharged issue will therefore be one made specially for collectors, as no one else will want or buy them.

I think I recognize the writer of the article signed "F. G. S." Everything he says is correct, except that the U. S. P. O. there did *not* always figure $2 Mexican to $1 gold, but only since the rate was equal to or better than $2 Mex. to $1 gold. When I first reached Shanghai the rate was $2.40 Mex. to $1 gold; the P. O. rate was then $2.50 Mex. to $1 gold. They were always 10c or so behind the bank rate.

Fiume on Hungary, Used

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All in all, we commend Mr. Phillips for his faith in the WEEKLY and his faith in our subscribers, and hope and believe that with all the handicap of the warm weather he will get a goodly patronage.

Indeed, so far as the summer season is concerned, the WEEKLY has not yet experienced the business dullness that is usually evident at this time. There is every indication that we shall go through July and August in Regulation size.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

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I have obtained a few of the 1c, 2c and of the current issue with compound rforations and while they last I offer one int copy of each for $3.00 or a block of ur of each for $10.00.
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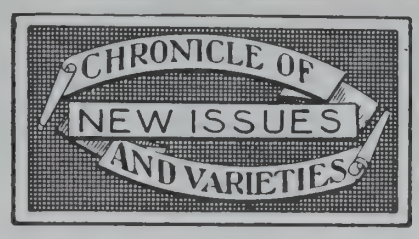

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—In our chronicle of last week we mentioned the fact that the New York post office had placed on sale some sheets of the 1c, 2c and 3c stamps consisting of 170 subjects arranged 17x10. We stated that these were the product of the rotary press. Since writing our first notes, your editor has had the pleasure of inspecting sheets of each and was surprised to find them with compound perforations 11x10.

The stamps are printed on the hard unwatermarked paper that the Bureau uses on the rotary presses and they have those shades that we always recognize as the product of this method of printing. Instead of being straight edged at the sides of the sheets, we find that they are perforated throughout and are simply divided at the end of every seventeen vertical rows, that is where the guide line appears. They are, of course, from the sidewise coil plates, hence the guide line just mentioned. The plate numbers appear on the top margin only, over the 9th stamp in the case of the three values, and over the 10th stamp of the 1c and 2c sheets we find in addition to the plate number, "S 30". An open star on all sheets is above the first stamp just to the right of the guide line.

We surmise that the stamps were originally perforated 10 vertically for the sidewise coils and then run through the wheels used for the flat plates, that is perforate 11 horizontally. The variety is no doubt of an experimental nature and will probably be scarce. They were sold out before many had discovered them and when the writer was in New York a couple days after they were placed on sale, the 2c had been exhausted for sometime, the 3c ran out shortly after and only a few of the 1c were left and these were in a branch office.

1919 Rotary Print, Perforated 11x10.
1c light green.
2c carmine rose.
3c bluish purple.

In our issue of June 7th we stated that we had not seen certain "Future Delivery" and "Stock Transfer" stamps although they were mentioned in the annual report of the Director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing as having been surcharged. Mr. L. A. Thompson sends us the 1c "Stock Transfer" and Mr. William Lloyd and Prof. Albert Johannsen kindly remember us with the 50c and 80c "Future Delivery". This leaves the 25c of both series and the 40c "Stock Transfer" unaccounted for and we trust if any of our readers have or know of these three values that they will be so kind as to remember us.

Mr. Lloyd also sends us the 5c Documentary provisionally surcharged in purple by means of a rubber stamp "F. D." and advises that the whole issue from 1c to $30 were so overprinted previous to the arrival of the printed series from the Bureau. In a previous chronicle we spoke of these stamps but at that time were not aware that so many values were so treated.

Mr. H. W. Porter informs us that he has obtained a copy of the 4c "Narcotic" with Bureau overprint. We have previously chronicled the 1c, 2c, 8c and 10c.

1919 "Narcotic" Bureau Overprint.
4c rose.

For additional information we wish to thank Messrs. Elliott Perry, A. S. Davenport, Standish Prescott and Robt. T. Chambers. The last gentleman has sent us information concerning the provisional surcharged Playing Cards and we

No.		Cat. price.	My price
34	**Antigua** 1908-09, 2½p ultra.	.10	.06
35	1908-09, 1sh violet-ultra.	.40	.30
33	**Bahamas** 1901, 1p carmine-blk.	.15	.06
36	1902, 4p orange	.40	.18
41	1903, 5p orange-black ..	.25	.15
44	1906, ½p green	.06	.03
45	1906, 1p carmine rose ...	.10	.05
46	1906, 2½p ultramarine ...	.25	.15
47	1911, 1p carmine-black...	.12	.05
49	1912, ½p green	.03	.02
50	1912, 1p carmine rose ...	.05	.03
100	**Barbados** 1905, 1f gray-black	.12	.06
101	1905, ½p green-black	.06	.04
102	1905, 1p carmine-black..	.20	.10
103	1905, 2p orange-black ..	.35	.20
104	1905, 2½p ultra.-black ..	.35	.20
107	1906, 1p black, grn.-blue	.15	.10
116	1912, ½p brown	.04	.02
117	1912, ½p green	.04	.02
118	1912, 1p carmine	.06	.03
119	1912, 2p gray	.12	.08
120	1912, 2½p ultramarine ...	.15	.10
121	1912, 3p violet yellow ...	.20	.15
122	1912, 4p blk.-scar. yellow	.25	.20
80	**Bechuanaland Prot.** '08, ½p grn.	.06	.03
82	1912, 1sh scarlet-green ..	.75	.40
25	**Bermuda** 1901, 1f on 1sh gray	.03	.02
26	1902-03, ½p grn.-black ..	.20	.10
27	1902-03, 1p car. rose-brn.	.10	.05
28	1902-03, 3p green-violet..	.50	.25
33	1906, 2p orange-gray ...	.30	.15
35	1908-10, ½p purple-brown	.06	.02
37	1908-10, 1p carmine	.25	.12
38	1908-10, 2½p ultramarine.	.60	.30
39	1908-10, 4p vio. brn.-blue	.35	.15
40	1910-12, ½p brown	.02	.01
41	1910-12, ½p yellow green.	.03	.02
42	1910-12, 1p carmine	.05	.03
43	1910-12, 2p gray	.08	.06
44	1910-12, 2½p ultramarine.	.10	.08
45	1910-12, 3p violet yell. ..	.12	.08
46	1910-12, 6p claret	.24	.18
47	1910-12, 1sh green	.40	.35
63	**Br. Cent. Af.** '03-04, 6p br.-blk.	.75	.35
64	1903-04, 1sh blue-black..	1.00	.50
178	**Brit. Guiana** 1913-15, 1c grn.	.03	.02
179	1913-15, 2c carmine	.05	.03
180	1913-15, 4c brn.-red violet	.08	.06
181	1913-15, 5c ultramarine .	.10	.08
182	1913-15, 6c gray-black ..	.12	.10
183	1913-15, 12c orange-violet	.24	.18
188	1915, 96c blk.-red yellow	2.25	1.65
59	**Br. Hond.** '02-04, 2c vio.-blk.red	.20	.10
60	1902-04, 5c gray blk.-ultra.	.20	.10
62	1904-06, 1c green	.10	.06
74	1911, 25c green	.75	.40
75	1913, 1c green	.03	.02
76	1913, 2c carmine	.06	.03
77	1913, 5c ultramarine	.10	.08
84	1915, 1c green	.35	.18
85	1915, 2c carmine	.12	.08
86	1915, 5c ultramarine	.30	.18
8	**Br. Solomon Is.** 1908, ½p grn.	.08	.04
9	1908, 1p carmine	.08	.04
10	1908, 2p gray	.15	.10
11	1908, 2½p ultramarine ..	.25	.15
12	1908, 5p olive green	.35	.20
13	1908, 6p claret	.50	.25
14	1908, 1sh green	.75	.50
18	1911, 4p red yellow	.30	.20
33	**Brunei** 1911-12, 10c vio. yellow	.15	.10
63	**Cape of G. H.** 1902-04, ½p grn.	.04	.02
64	1902-04, 1p carmine rose	.06	.03
65	1902-04, 2p brown	.18	.12
66	1902-04, 2½p ultramarine.	.60	.30
6	**Cayman Is.** '02, 6p chocolate	1.50	.70
8	1905, ½p green	.30	.12
9	1905, 1p carmine rose ...	1.00	.45
10	1905, 2½p ultramarine ..	.75	.35
13	1907, 4p brown-blue	2.50	1.10
14	1907, 6p olive-rose	3.00	1.25
15	1907, 1sh violet-green ..	3.50	1.50
25	1907-09, 4p blk.-red yell.	3.50	1.75
26	1907-09, 6p violet	.40	.20
27	1907-09, 1sh green	.75	.35
31	1908, ½p brown	.04	.02
166	**Ceylon** '03-04, 2c orange brn.	.08	.04
170	1903-04, 6c carmine rose..	.25	.12
174	1903-04, 30c violet-grn. ..	.40	.25
187	1904-05, 75c blue-orange	.60	.40
188	1904-05, 1r 50c gray	1.25	.80
189	1904-05, 2r 25c brn.-grn.	2.00	1.30
191	1908, 6c carmine rose	.12	.06
220	1913-14, 1r violet yellow.	.80	.50
221	1913-14, 2r black-red yell.	1.50	1.00
46	**Cyprus** 1903, 18pi black-brn.	4.00	2.50
47	1903, 45pi violet-ultram.	5.00	3.00
54	1904, 9pi brown-car. rose	.65	.40
56	'04, 18pi orange-brn. blk.	1.00	.80
57	1904, 45pi vio.-ultramar.	3.00	2.25
1	**E. Africa-Uganda** 1903, ¼a grn.	.35	.15
2	1903, 1a carmine-black...	.15	.08
3	1903, 2a violet	.60	.30
7	1903, 5a brown-black....	3.50	2.00
59	1914, 25c scar.-blk.yellow	.40	.20
60	1914, 75c green	.60	.40
22	**Falkland Isl.** 1904-05, ½p grn.	.10	.05
23	1904-05, 1p red	.12	.06
72	**Fiji** 1906-11, 1p carmine	.10	.05
73	1906-11, 2½p ultramarine	.20	.10
74	1909, 1sh grn.-carm. rose	1.50	.85
75	1911-12, 6p violet	.50	.25
76	1911-12, 1sh green	1.00	.60
84	1912-14, 1sh green	.60	.35
90	1914-15, 6p violet	.24	.18
29	**Gambia** 1902-05, 1p carm. rose	.20	.08
30	1902-05, 2p orange-purple	.30	.12
32	1902-05, 3p violet-ultra...	1.00	.40
33	1902-05, 4p brown-ultra..	1.00	.40
34	1902-05, 6p green-rose...	.60	.25
35	1902-05, 1sh violet-green.	3.00	1.50
71	1912, 1p carmine	.05	.03
73	1912, 2p gray	.08	.06
75	1912, 3p violet yellow ..	.12	.08
76	1912, 4p black-red yellow	.16	.12
77	1912, 5p orange-violet ..	.20	.15
78	1912, 6p violet	.24	.18
79	1912, 7½p brown-ultra. ..	.28	.20
80	1912, 10p green-rose	.35	.30
81	1912, 1sh green	.40	.32
82	1912, 1sh 6p vio.-green ..	.65	.50
83	1912, 2sh violet-blue	.80	.70
84	1912, 2sh 6p blk.-red blue	1.00	.85
40	**Gibraltar** '03, 2½p vio.-blk.blue	.40	.18
50	1904-08, 2p green-rose....	.18	.10
59	1906-11, 1p carmine	.12	.05
60	1906-11, 2p gray	.30	.15
61	1906-11, 2½p ultramarine.	.40	.20

CHAS. S. OSGOOD,

No.		Cat. Price.	My Price
41	**Gold Coast** 1902, 2½p vio.-ult.	.75	.35
43	1902, 6p violet-purple....	.60	.25
51	1904-06, 2p violet-red or.	.35	.15
53	1904-06, 3p violet-orange.	.60	.25
54	1904-06, 6p vio.-purple...	1.00	.40
55	1904-06, 2sh 6p green-yel.	4.00	1.85
56	1907-09, ½p green	.04	.03
57	1907-09, 1p carmine	.25	.12
58	1907-09, 2p gray	.15	.08
59	1907-09, 2½p ultramarine.	.25	.10
65	1908, 1p carmine	.08	.03
69	1913-16, ½p green	.03	.02
70	1913-16, 1p carmine	.05	.03
71	1913-16, 2p gray	.09	.06
72	1913-16, 2½p ultramarine.	.10	.08
73	1913-16, 3p violet yellow.	.12	.08
74	1913-16, 6p violet	.24	.18
75	1913-16, 1sh green	.40	.32
76	1913-16, 2sh violet-blue...	.80	.65
77	'13-16,2sh 6p vio.-red blue	1.00	.85
81	1913-16, 3p violet yellow	.25	.15
82	1913-16, 5sh grn.-red yel.	3.50	2.00
48	**Grenada** 1902, ½p violet-green	.15	.06
54	1902, 2sh green-ultramar.	2.50	1.25
62	1905-06, 3p violet-orange	.35	.15
76	1906-08, 1sh green	1.25	.60
78	1911, 1sh green	.75	.40
79	1913, ½p green	.03	.02
80	1913, 1p carmine	.05	.03
81	1913, 2p orange	.08	.06
82	1913, 2½p ultramarine ...	.10	.08
84	1913, 6p violet	.24	.18
86	1913, 2sh vio.-ultra. blue	.80	.65
60	**Hong Kong** '03, 1c brn.-lilac	.04	.02
96	1907-11, 50c green	1.00	.50
108	1913-14, 25c violet	.30	.20
32	**Jamaica** 1901, 1p red-black ..	.10	.05
33	1903-04, ½p grn.-blk.....	.06	.03
34	1903-04, 1p carmine-black	.10	.05
36	1903-04, 2½p ultra.-black.	.20	.08
39	1903-04, 5p yellow-black.	1.25	.65
40	1905-09, ½p green-black..	.18	.06
42	1905-09, 2½p ultra.-black.	.35	.12
43	1905-09, 3p olive green ..	.50	.25
49	1905-09, 5sh violet-blk....	2.00	1.75
50	1906-10, ½ green	.04	.02
51	1906-10, 1p carmine	.08	.03
52	1906-10, 2½p ultramarine.	.20	.08
53	1906-10, 3p violet yellow.	.40	.15
55	1906-10, 6p violet	.85	.40
56	1906-10, 1sh green	.85	.40
57	1906-10, 2sh violet blue..	1.00	.65
59	1911, 4p red yellow	.30	.12
61	1912-16, 1p carmine	.05	.03
63	1912-16, 2p gray	.08	.06
64	1912-16, 2½p ultramarine.	.10	.08
65	1912-16, 3p violet yellow.	.15	.08
67	1912-16, 6p violet	.24	.18
17	**Leeward Isl.** 1902, 1p on 4p lilac-orange	.50	.25
18	1902, 1p on 6p lilac-brn.	.50	.25
19	1902, 1p on 7p lilac-slate	.40	.20
20	1902, ½p violet-green ...	.08	.03
21	1902, 1p violet-carmine ..	.10	.03
22	1902, 2p violet-bistre ...	.30	.10
23	1902, 2½p violet-ultra. ..	.30	.10
24	1902, 3p violet-black	.35	.10
25	1902, 6p violet-brown ...	.35	.18
26	1902, 1sh green-carmine.	1.00	.35
27	1902, 2sh 6p green-black	1.50	.85
28	1902, 5sh green-ultra. ...	3.00	1.75
36	1907-11, ½p brown	.04	.02
37	1907-11, ½p green	.05	.02
38	1907-11, 1p carmine	.08	.03
39	1907-11, 2p gray	.20	.08
40	1907-11, 2½p ultramarine	.25	.10
41	1907-11, 3p violet yellow.	.30	.10
42	1907-11, 6p vio.-red violet	1.00	.40
43	1907-11, 1sh green	1.25	.60
44	'07-11,2sh 6p blk.-red blue	2.50	1.20
48	1912-14, 1p carmine	.05	.03
51	1912-14, 3p violet yellow	.12	.08
53	1912-14, 1sh green	.40	.35
56	1912-14, 3p violet yellow	3.00	2.25
58	'12-14, 5sh green-red yel.	5.00	3.50
20	**Malta** 1902, 1p on 2½p dull blue	.08	.03
21	1903, ½p dark green	.10	.04
25	1903, 3p violet-gray	.20	.10
32	1904-05, 2½p ultra.-violet	.50	.20
40	1907-11, 1p carmine	.08	.04
44	1907-11, 4p scar.-blk. yell.	.25	.12
45	1907-11, 4½p orange	.25	.15
47	1907-11, 1sh green	.50	.40
108	**Mauritius** '02, 4c lilac-car. yel.	.10	.04
109	1902, 6c green-rose	.12	.04
120	1902, 12c on 36c or.-ult.	.25	.10
27	**Montserrat** 1904, 6c grn.-vio.	.70	.30
42	1914, 3c violet yellow ..	1.50	.85
81	**Natal** 1902-03, ½p blue green	.08	.04
82	1902-03, 1p rose	.06	.03
85	**Newfoundland** 1901, 4c violet	.12	.06
86	1908, 2c rose carmine ..	.06	.03
87a	1910, 1c green	.10	.03
88	1910, 2c carmine	.15	.05
89	1910, 3c brown olive	.20	.10
90	1910, 4c dull violet	.20	.08
91	1910, 5c ultramarine	.20	.10
92	1910, 6c claret	.75	.35
98	1911, 6c brown violet ..	.60	.25
104	1911, 1c yellow green ..	.02	.02
105	1911, 2c carmine	.04	.03
106	1911, 3c red brown	.18	.12
107	1911, 4c violet	.25	.12
108	1911, 5c ultramarine	.10	.08
110a	1911, 8c peacock blue ...	1.25	.60
112	1911, 10c dark green	.85	.40
130	**New Zealand** 1909, ½p yel.-grn.	.03	.02
131	1909, 1p carmine	.06	.03
132	1909, 2p mauve	.15	.08
133	1909, 3p orange brown ..	.18	.10
134	1909, 4p red orange	1.00	.50
135	1909, 5p red brown	.30	.15
136	1909, 6p carmine rose....	.30	.18
137	1909, 8p deep blue	.40	.25
139	1912, 4p yellow	.25	.15
9	**Nigeria** 1914-15, 2sh 6p black-red blue	1.00	.65
16	1914-15, 5sh green-red ..	2.50	1.80
17	'14-15, 10sh grn.-red grn.	5.00	3.75
13	**No. Nigeria** 1902, 2½p vio.-ult.	.20	.10
23	1905, 5p vio.-orange brn.	1.00	.50
24	1905, 6p violet-purple ..	1.00	.45
29	1910-11, 2p gray	.25	.12
35	1910-11, 1sh green	1.00	.50
39	1912, ½p green	.05	.02
40	1912, 1p carmine	.08	.04
41	1912, 2p gray	.12	.06

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BAVARIA.—Mr. W. A. Sisson has shown us a copy of Scott's No. 96, 10p, surcharged with characters meaning "State of the People". The surcharge is in two lines and printed in black.

CILICIA.—(1485)—Mr. W. A. Sisson has shown us a cover containing three of the Turkey commemorative 20pa stamps surcharged CILICIE. The surcharge is at the bottom of the stamp and is printed in black.

In addition to the above stamps we are advised by Mr. M. Dicranian that he has received the following on a letter: Turkey No. 271, no surcharge, and No. 255, No. 346, No. 936 and No. 1179 all of which have been surcharged CILICIE.

COOK ISLANDS.—The *Australian Stamp Journal* says:—

"Last month we chronicled the Cook Island 1s on chalky paper, perf. 15x14. As the supply we received was not sufficient for our requirements, we wrote for some more, and received the following reply, dated Feb. 21: Sorry you are too late for 1s Cook Islands, as they were all sold out before I realized it. Last week they had £100 worth, and I thought there would be no hurry, but when I went to get your lot, they were all cleared out.' It seems strange that the postal authorities should have prepared such a small supply. Perhaps some more will be obtainable later on, but one never knows. Our agent says he has also heard rumours of the issue of New Zealand stamps overprinted 'Raratonga,' and perhaps these shillings were only printed off temporarily to comply with requests until the new stamps were ready. At any rate, we would strongly advise collectors to hold on to this stamp, and not merely swap it away for another of apparently similar value until we know something of what is going to happen.

Why the new stamps should be overprinted 'Raratonga' is a mystery to us, for a reference to our philatelic map of the Western Pacific will show that it is only one of the group of Cook Islands. On the other hand, stamps have been overprinted 'Aitutaki,' which is in the same group. Apparently the New Zealand authorities reckon that such an outlandish, heathenish, barbaric, but pretty, name as 'Raratonga' will induce a bigger demand for the stamps."—*Stamp Collecting.*

DENMARK.—(*Faroe Ids.*)—An interesting provisional arrives in the shape of the 5c (green) stamp, surcharged with a large figure "2" above the word ORE in black capitals. Owing to the difficulties in maintaining regular communication between the Faroe Ids. and Denmark, their mother country, the supply of 2 ore stamps ran out, and recourse was therefore had to surcharged ones, of which, we understand, only 10,000 were overprinted as above.—*Stamp Collecting.*

JUGO-SLAVONIA.—Another independent State carved out of the Austro-Hungarian Empire. We do not know whether it will long be known by this clumsy name, but we hope not. Already it has been called Croatia and Serbo-Croatia by various of our contemporaries, but neither of these names cover the whole of the territory which is claimed by Jugo-Slavonia. However, we will not, for the present, worry over the name. It will be sufficient for the present to attempt to compile a catalogue of the stamps which the new State already has to its credit.

The first issue consisted of stamps of Hungary overprinted SHS HRVATSKA, in two lines, and a line with a bulge at each end above; we will call this type I. There is a second type with the same inscription as above, though in different type, and instead of the line above there is a wheel-like device, with a short horizontal bar on either side of it: this we will call type II.

Hungarian Stamps of 1916-17, overprinted with type I., as above.

2fi pale brown.	35fi chocolate.
3fi red-lilac.	50fi pale blue.
5fi green.	80fi yellow-green.
6fi blue-green.	1kr claret.
10fi red.	2kr olive-brown.
15fi violet.	3kr lilac and grey.
20fi grey-brown.	5kr bl.-br. and brown.
25fi blue.	10kr vio. br. and lilac.

Hungarian War Charity Stamps of 1916, similarly overprinted.

10+2fil red.
15+2fil violet.
40+2fil carmine-brown.

Postage Due Stamps of Hungary of 1915-18, similarly overprinted.

1 filler, green and red.
12 filler, green and red.
50 filler, green and black.

Hungarian Stamps of 1918, overprinted with Type II.

10 filler, carmine.
20 filler, dark brown.
25 filler, blue.

Then we have the Bosnian pictorial stamps of 1910 overprinted,

At top with the inscription—DRZAVA S.H.S.
On either side— 1918 1918
And at foot— BOSNIA; HERCEGOVINA.

There are three types of this surcharge, one of which is in Serbian characters, but fortunately the different types are peculiar to certain values, no value having been reported so far with two different types.

Pictorial Stamps of Bosnia of 1910, overprinted as above.

3h olive.	50h purple.
5h green.	60 on 50h purple.
10h carmine.	80 on 60h or.-brown.
20h brown.	90 on 35h dark green.
25h blue.	2k bronze-green.
30h green.	3k on 3h olive.
40h orange.	4k on 1kr carmine.
45h orange-red.	10k on 2h violet.

—*Phil. Jour. of Gr. Brit.*

LA GEORGIE.—According to Bright & Son this is a new Republic in the Caucasus and three new stamps are reported:—40k orange, 60k carmine and 70k violet. The stamps were issued May 26, are imperforate and printed in sheets of 238. In the 40k sheets have been found with twelve stamps upside down, furnishing nine tete-beche pairs. Other values up to 10 rubles will probably be issued. We thank Bright & Son for sending us a specimen of the 40k, but we will leave a description of it to some future chronicle.

LITHUANIA.—Mr. C. G. Dietrich has shown us the third issue of stamps for this country which consists of 6 values, viz. 5k red, 10k blue, 15k green, 20 orange, 35k brown and 50 purple. The are all printed on silk paper and in perforate. At the same time Mr. Dietrich shows us the fourth issue which on ordinary paper, watermarked Honeycomb, but has two additional values added viz. 3k lilac, and 75k bright green.

NEWFOUNDLAND.—A second aerial issue appears for this new Dominion made in connection with the mail taken over by the Vickers-Vimy machine (Alcock and Brown), and which really got to the other side. The 15c Cabot was issued on June 9th, with an overprint in four lines, reading:—"Trans-Atlantic—AIR POST— 1919.—ONE DOLLAR." The overprinting was very neatly done, but the troublesome period caused some varieties. As yet, I have not been able to determine which is the normal form of overprint. I have seen two single copies of the stamp without punctuation after AIR POST, but with periods after 1919. But a block of four shows two stamps with a comma after AIR POST, one stamp without any punctuation, and the fourth with a trace of something—whether a comma, or merely a smut, is to be questioned. Three of these stamps have the period after 1919, but the fourth is innocent in this respect.—HARRY E. HUBER.

We are also advised by Mr. Michael P. Hines of this overprint, and that arrangements have been finalized for the conveyance of a small mail both by the Handley-Page and Vickers Vimy machines. Of necessity the mail will be very small the maximum weight in each case not exceeding 3 lbs. including 10 official letters in each. The H. & P. mail will be despatched from Harbour Grace and ⅓ of the weight, or one pound will be for those citizens of H. G. who may desire to avail themselves of the opportunity. The mail for the Vickers machine will be closed at St. John's as soon as all the number of letters is reached. Not more than two letters will be received from any one person. The fee for each letter will be $1. By permission of the government, 50 cents out of every dollar will be apportioned to the permanent Marine Disasters Fund. The "76" FIRST TRANS-ATLANTIC FLIGHT stamps were offered for sale at St. John's at $25 each and were rapidly disposed of. All sold the second day.

NICARAGUA.—Mr. W. A. Sisson has shown us two covers of this country with telegraph and fiscal stamps used for postage. One is blue and the other bistre brown and both 5 centavos value. The stamp is oblong and has the flags and arms in the middle of a circle while around the circle of the brown stamp is TIMBRE TELEGRAFICO and above REPUBLIC OF NICARAGUA. The value is at the bottom. The blue stamp is the same type except that it has TIMBRE FISCAL.

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THE FAROE ISLANDS PROVISIONALS.

By A. A. KRANHOLD.

I beg leave to both correct and complete Mr. Ames' short article in No. 1484 which refers to the Faroe Island provisionals.

The local letter rate in Denmark was raised from 5 to 7 ore on January first, this year. There must have been a shortage of all the smaller denominations on the Islands, since the 7 ore rate can be made up by a combination of a five and a two or two ones, or a three and a four. However, pending receipt of the new 7 ore stamp permission to surcharge the five ore with a large "2" was received from the Postal authorities in Copenhagen and in addition, permission to bisect the four ore. These provisionals are not therefore Faroe Island locals in any sense but properly authorized government issues.

Communications with the Islands had been interrupted for a few days only. I do not know the reason for this but the war can hardly be responsible since the armistice had been signed six weeks or over previously and there was no shortage of stamps during entire war period. I have a cover with the bisect and have ordered the other. The latter cost about $9.50 in Copenhagen. My correspondent is a prominent official of the postal department and this information should be authentic.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—We have received a clipping from the Kansas City *Star* sent us by Lucien B. Wellborn that announces the probable transfer of the Miquelon Islands to the United States. This is an item of interest to the philatelist. It is reported that Newfoundland does not take very kindly to the proposition.

—"The Little Man of 28th Street" is the title of a stamp sketch in the *World Magazine* of June 8. It occupies a page and is of more than ordinary interest. We are indebted to Frank E. Hadley for the clipping.

—Chas. A. Townsend pays his respects to what he terms our "peeved correspondent in the Canal Zone". Mr. Townsend says the reason why dealers pay no attention to certain approval requests may be easily figured out. It is because they do not want to take chances with collectors who are not responsible. He writes:—"I have turned down quite a number of requests from the Canal Zone and Porto Rico just because they pretend never to have received the stamps."

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—2c postage becomes operative July 1. Do not under any circumstances purchase 3c stamps for use as remittances. There will be a surplus of these in the channels of business after the first of July and WEEKLY subscribers can confer a great favor by eliminating them from their correspondence.

—Mr. Wolsieffer of the Philadelphia Stamp Co. would like to secure the present address of W. F. Slusser, who was formerly in Florida and more recently in the Philippines. He has since returned to the U. S. and Mr. Wolseiffer desires to retire his books from the A. P. S. sales department.

—Hotel Cliff has been selected as Headquarters for the S. P. A. convention in San Francisco on Aug. 27-30th.

—T. H. A.—We know of no catalog or book which will supply you with the statistics as to quantities issued of standard stamps. This information is scattered through the files of the WEEKLY and similar publications, and would require a patient student to dig it out.

—We recently made inquiry concerning J. C. Matthews of Olympia, Wash., with the understanding that he was associated with the Golden Rule Stamp Co. of Seattle. Such is not the case. Our complaint against the Golden Rule Stamp Co. still stands, but we desire to publicly exonerate Mr. Matthews from any possible reflection cast upon his name. He was a former advertiser in the WEEKLY and our relations were perfectly satisfactory.

—We are informed by Frank E. Hadley that he can secure no replies to letters sent J. N. Collette, 153 W. 84 St., N. Y. City.

—W. J. Zink can get no reply to letters sent Harry Fink, 1307 Campbell Av., Chicago, Ill.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from Kenneth Tallmadge and A. B. King.

—"About the first of December I sent my application for membership in the New York Philatelic Society to Mr. Weiss, the Secretary, together with a dollar for the dues. Since then I have written to him and the president, Mr Herbert, several times, but have not received an answer to any of my letters. I wish that you would publish the facts so that nobody else will get caught as I have."—KENNETH J. SMITH.

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—"Please issue a warning against counterfeits of Argentine 1892, Scott's Nos. 90 and 91, which are flooding the stamp markets in considerable quantities. The stamps are engraved, while the fakes are apparently lithographed. The watermark also is forged and is generally incomplete altho' too strongly impressed, and this after the paper was made. This is an old time counterfeit, unknown probably to the present generation."—PERCY MCG. MANN.

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Judging from a communication just at hand from Mr. Linn there will be no dearth of activity in Columbus during the summer months. The company of which Mr. Linn is the proprietor has moved to the Clinton Building at the corner of Chestnut and High Streets, two blocks south from the Union Station. Here the company has large quarters on the third floor fronting on High St with lots of room and all the conveniences of a first class building. Visitors to the city will be welcome.

An auction is being planned for July. The firm has faith that business will be good all summer and is working up this sale to back up the belief.

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By HARRY E. HUBER.

During the early months of 1919, there was offered from Jamaica, the ½d yellow green, WAR STAMP, one line, with overprint inverted, and while five or six dealers in the East were approached, in no instance was more than one pane offered. The total find was said to consist of one sheet, of four panes of 60 stamps each, and was obtained over the Post Office counter in the Island, in the regular course of business, with normal sheets.

On comparing with the normal variety, certain differences showed up, viz., the overprint on the inverts was clear and sharp, while the normal stamps, in the main, showed an impression not so sharp,—as if from type which had seen considerable service. These differences were taken, in certain quarters, as being evidence against the stamps, and the inverts were classed as counterfeits,—with the explanatory statement that the normal variety and genuine, were overprinted from Caslon type, while the inverts were from Roman.

The inverted overprints were then referred to the Superintendent of the Government Printing Office at Kingston, and also the Postmaster for Jamaica, both of whom pronounce them as genuine.

Mr. Ellis Wolfe, Postmaster for Jamaica, expresses himself as follows:—"This Department keeps no record of the errors in overprinted War Stamps, but from the variety of errors which have come under its notice, particularly in the ½d denomination overprint of 1916, I have not any reason to doubt that the overprint inverted in the halfpenny stamp which you submitted is genuine, and I would not regard it as a forgery."

The Superintendent of the Government Office adds further interesting details:—"This Department does not use Caslon type in overprinting the War Stamps. Therefore, the statement that this description of type was used in the overprinting of these stamps is not correct."

The apparent differences in the type, causing the overprints in some sheets to appear sharp and clean cut, and on others, with thickened strokes, he considers:—"Not at all surprising. The first impressions of these prints appeared sharp, clean and well defined (and) the different appearance of the overprints in various sheets is no doubt due to wearing of type from constant use.

"The first impressions of these stamps were quite in order, and free from defects or errors, so far as I am aware, but shortly afterwards, it was noticed that the points were missing, and spaces and defective letters appeared. These defects were corrected. It was afterwards decided to alter the setting and the two-line ovreprint was introduced.

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Summing up the situation:—

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

—Recently, Dennis Collard, Kirkwood, Mo., sent in a renewal of subscription but the check was returned marked "No funds". We considered this an accident, but we have had no word from Collard and the Globe Stamp Co., 2926 N. Broadway, Los Angles, Cal., gives the particulars of a similar incident and would like to hear from others who have had the same experience.

—"L. P. Bossey of Victoriaville, Quebec, Canada, appears to be an irresponsible boy of twenty. He recently sent me a list of rare stamps that he stated he had in quantities, but insisted upon cash in advance." Quoted from a letter.

—L. A. C.—You have named the best of the English papers and the *Philatelic Journal of Great Britain, Stamp Collecting, Postage Stamp and Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly* may all be addressed at London. Street address will not be necessary.

—Emily King informs us that Walter J. Reed, Canton, Ohio, concerning whom inquiry was made in a recent number of the WEEKLY, has been heard from and matters are satisfactorily adjusted.

—"I would like to have the present address of the Essco Approval Co., 415 Spring St., Atlanta, Ga. It is managed by one James G. Cobble and I sent this party a selection of stamps on approval April 16. A couple of reminders brought no results and the last letter was returned marked 'Party unknown'."—Charles Christensen. Can anyone give Mr. Christensen the desired information?

—"I am now in my 81st year and have been interested in the collection of postage and revenue stamps for the last 44 years. I learned there was such a hobby as stamp collecting by seeing for the first time the word "philatelic" in *The Nation* of New York for June 3, 1875, which gave a notice of John K. Tiffany's 'Philatelic Library, a Catalogue of Stamp Publications.' These publications numbered 569—American, English, German, French, Italian, Spanish and Danish, with some Russian price lists."—JOSIAH MORROW.

—We have received a clipping from the New York *American* that indicates the issue of one or more commemorative stamps in connection of the celebration of the Pilgrim Fathers Tercentenary.

—The Colonial Stamp Co. of Chicago, Ill., is unable to secure any replies to letters sent Dr. C. A. Erickson, 8101 S. Peoria St., Chicago, Ill.; H. L. Hanson, Elroy, Wis. and W. R. Carothers, Sidney, Ohio.

FROM AN ADVERTISING MANAGER.

(We do not expect to use much more space in publishing opinions about raising our advertising and subscription rates, as the ground has been pretty well covered. So long as we have decided what we shall do, we feel pleased to have our position endorsed by one, who, as an advertising manager of the DuPont Co., is qualified to advise. We do not feel at liberty to give the name of the subscriber who wrote this letter, but feel that his judgment is well worth considering.—W. O. W.)

In the issue of June 7th, I note some of the advertisers' comment upon the proposed raise in your subscription price. Being an advertising manager of the Du Pont Co., I think your advertisers are right in advocating an advance to *them* and not to your subscribers. I'm inclined to agree with them that your advanced rates would have a tendency to reduce your number of subscribers. A dollar a year is little enough to pay for a weekly messenger of the calibre of the MEKEEL'S, yet in these days of aeroplane ideas as to living costs, it would be a refreshing incident to be assured that at least one thing had not been raised on account of the war! Your subscribers are your advertisers' opportunities. Anything done to reduce the chances of your advertisers making their advertising efforts pay will discourage advertising, diminish returns and make the lot of the stamp dealer anything but a joyful experience. I judge that the few comments referred to are typical of those which would come from a large majority of your advertisers were they asked to state their views. As you are no doubt aware very many of the trade, technical and popular magazines have advanced their advertising rates,—and their subscriptions, too, by George! Actually, the publishers must conduct their papers at a fair profit. If you decide to advance the subscription price please credit my remittance accompanying this letter in accordance with your decision.

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THE MILWAUKEE MATCH STAMPS.

By CHRISTOPHER WEST.

Barber, Jones & Co.

This firm was the successor of Barber & Co. and was composed of Eugene A. Jones and two former members of Barber & Co.—Edward Barber and Priam B. Hill. It is mentioned in the Milwaukee directory for 1873-'74 only, conducting business at the old Greenleaf factory.

The Boston Book gives the following data regarding the stamp:—

Die approved, Jan. 6, 1873.
First issued, May, 1873.
Last issued, Aug., 1875.
210 stamps per sheet, (14x15).
5,401,920 issued on silk paper.

This is the only match stamp which bears the names of two different firms. The 1c Greenleaf die was altered by adding the initials "B. J. & CO." over the phoenix in the circular disk containing the latter device but the Greenleaf & Co. name was not removed and for that reason the stamp is often confused with the 1c Greenleaf on silk paper.

The Barber, Jones & Co. stamp was printed by Jos. R. Carpenter in Philadelphia and, according to the Boston Book, was used successively by Barber, Jones & Co. and by three other firms during the following periods, as nearly as can be determined by the present writer:—

Barber, Jones & Co. to January, 1874.
Eugene A. Jones & Co. to August, 1874.
Kirby & Jones to April, 1875.
Kirby & Sons to August (?), 1875.

On January 28, 1874, Eugene A. Jones & Co. advised Mr. Carpenter to "cut out Greenleaf & Co. from the die and put in Eugene A. Jones & Co.", and on February 5th, following, they further instructed him to "also take out the initials 'B. J. & CO.'" On March 4th, Mr. Carpenter replied, "The new plate from altered die of Greenleaf & Co., late Barber, Jones & Co., is ready for the press." It is not known that any Eugene A. Jones & Co. stamps were ever printed and certainly none were ever used, but proofs exist in various colors. The firm of Eugene A. Jones & Co. was composed of Mr. Jones and Priam B. Hill and appears in the Milwaukee directory for 1874-'75 only.

The Barber, Jones & Co. stamp occurs in a yellow green exactly like one of the Greenleaf & Co. tints on silk paper and also in a dark green shade. It is fairly plentiful and nice copies can be obtained. Cancelled specimens are the exception. Confirmation of the opinion that this stamp was used in multiple for 3c is not now available.

Kirby & Sons.

This firm was composed of Abner Kirby and his two sons, Welcome U. Kirby and Oa A. Kirby. It carried on the business at the old Greenleaf factory, 626 Walnut St., and is listed in the Milwaukee directory for 1875-'76 as the O. K. Match Works. Kirby & Sons used the Barber, Jones & Co. stamp until August, 1875, according to the Boston Book, which also states, "Beginning with May, 1875, this company received stamps from the Barber, Jones & Co. one cent plate, * * * *

Die approved, Oct. 27, 1875.
First issued, Nov., 1875.
Last issued, before Dec. 31, 1879.
210 stamps per sheet, (14x15).
440,160 issued on silk paper.

Presumably Kirby & Sons also used the Barber, Jones & Co. stamp after August, 1875 until their new stamp was ready in October, but whether their last supply of the B. J. & Co. stamps was printed by Mr. Carpenter or by the National Bank Note Co. is an unsolved problem. If they obtained a sufficient supply of the B. J. & Co. stamp in August, 1875, to last them for three months there probably was no National printing of the B. J. & Co. stamp.

The Kirby stamp differs from the 1c Greenleaf only in the change of firm name. "B. J. & Co." does not appear on it. The die was altered and the new plate made by the National Bank Note Co. who printed the entire issue, 2,096 sheets. As the shade runs remarkably true, a bright clear green, slightly bluish, there may have been only one printing. The firm does not appear in the directories for 1877 or 1878, and their stamp was probably in use a year or less. It is often found in much better condition than others from the 1c Greenleaf die but is under-rated, being scarcer than the B. J. & Co. Cancelled copies have not been noted and pairs are almost unknown.

About 1879 Mr. Kirby started a starch factory where the match business had been for so many years. He was then over 60 years old, having been born in Maine in 1818, and a resident of Milwaukee much of the time from 1844. A jeweler by trade, he had worked in lumber camps, built saw mills, engaged in shipping and in many other pursuits, about 1857 being a member of Kirby, Carpenter & Co. of Chicago, at that time the largest manufacturers there. In 1865 he was elected mayor of Milwaukee without opposition.

It is an interesting coincidence that Pierce, who started the Milwaukee match factory, Greenleaf, whose name appeared on over 80% of the stamps, and Kirby, who was the last to operate the business, were all from New England and landed in Milwaukee in 1844. Barber, who was at the head of the business for about six years, came in 1847 at which time Hill, who was a partner from 1860 to 1874, was also a resident of the Wisconsin metropolis. Although connected with the business longer than anyone except Pierce, who sold out before the match tax went into effect, Hill and Ball were the only partners for any considerable length of time whose names do not appear on any of the stamps. Both Pierce and Kirby were in the lumber business for a time and both Greenleaf and Barber had railroad experience.

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Heavy—Mr. C. F. Richards, New York City, writes: "A correspondent in Europe sent me the other day, a lot of United States stamps that recently he received on his mail and said that our government did not seem to be very considerate of collectors, judging from the fact that the stamps sent were most decidedly 'thoroughly and completely defaced'. I wrote our third assistant postmaster-general a long letter sending him some of the sample stamps and giving a number of reasons why the government should treat the stamps on collectors' letters with consideration and not deface the stamps unnecessarily." The following reply was received by Mr. Richards: "Your letter of June 20th is received. Section 539, Postal Laws and Regulations, provides: 'Postmasters shall cancel stamps on mail matter by the use of canceling ink furnished by the department and shall thoroughly and completely deface the stamps.' The purpose of this cancellation, is, of course, to insure such thorough canceling as will prevent the re-use of stamps; and it is found to be necessary to publish cautions from time to time because of insufficient canceling. The Department cannot, consistently, therefore, issue instructions that stamps shall be canceled lightly so that they will be better suited to collecting purposes; nor would it be practicable for postal employees, at the speed necessitated in the canceling of hundred of millions of stamps yearly, to exercise the care which would be necessary to carry your suggestion into effect. I thank you, however, for submitting it." The claim of the post office department is not unreasonable. On occasions in the past, when protest was made against undue blotching of stamps on envelopes with odd values addressed to collectors, various explanations were given. Once the complainant was reprimanded for suggesting that the very object of cancellation be lost sight of, in the case of stamps of high denomination. Again, it was said that sometimes the canceling machine in being tried out with new ink, sometimes beat a tattoo on the stamps with the result that they were pounded black. Still, moderation should be the rule in canceling stamps and it is hoped that the postmasters will not be unduly severe on them.

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Here—In showing us plate number 10000 on the current one cent stamp, surface printing, Mr. John E. Lord says: "This plate number to which some interest may be said to attach and which our post office here has just received supplies a missing link between the plates over and under these significant figures. I suppose that some collectors will put away a sheet of the one cent surface printing on which the number comes, in view of the even number and the impending retirement of the one cent surface printings." We have plate number 1 on the two cent, 1894, and here, twenty-five years afterwards, we behold No. 10000. Verily, as Hippocrates snappily said: *Ars longa, vita brevis.*

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Hit—A few weeks agone, we sowed a few mild observations about prices of early issues, United States, in particular and now we reap the whirlwind. From men of many minds, we have received criticisms and commendations but it is worth noting that the points that we made to account for the prices of today have not been disproved by critical correspondents, our harshest objector contenting himself merely with saying that we are playing into the hands of dealers. On the other hand, a few candid friends admonish us that we should make our counts more strongly the next time, as the conditions in reality are more extreme than we indicated. Be that as it may: a hint sometimes is as good as a strong assertion. The critic who says that the dealers have been instrumental in creating the boom is clearly out of bounds. The demand for the certain stamps swept them off their feet before they knew what it was all about. Their stocks are depleted and they are replenished when luckily, they may buy at correspondingly high prices. The collectors have made the market for choice United States and the dealer is merely the runner-up. It is sufficient to point to the articles by Early Byrd which, by-the-way, are of singular value by reason of the advanced and authoritative information supplied by the writer. He shows how the collector has blazed the way to a higher regard and consequently, "evaluation" of certain early U. S. It is true that some dealers soon caught the stride that was made by the competition of their patrons but this was due to an innate philatelic judgment coupled with a market sense. Others held longer to the traditional view before catching the idea.

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Holds—A summary of opinion on the prices of quality stamps as received would only amplify the remarks that were made originally on the subject of prices on our stamps. However, there has been one argument sent in that was not regarded by us in the paragraph that set the wheels in motion. One of the keenest students of intensive philately says that the primary cause for the soaring prices is due to the fact of the scarcity for many years past of really prime United States. He says that it is odd that only at this late date there is an awakening to the fact that the visible supply of first-class U. S. is almost exhausted. You know, he explains, that years ago, dealers advertised that they would not send out United States stamps on approval; and in the comparatively plenteous stock of commercial copies extant thirty years ago, the superb copies were comparatively few. Kindly but critically, he says that the old great collections of United States are almost discredited in the light of to-day's exactions as to condition and suffer by comparison with the fine collections of these times; and this is saying nothing about the progress in study and the correction of old errors that persisted, made by the modern student. Now when a demand born of appreciation of the great possibilities for study in the stamps exhausts the ordinary channels of supply, the upward price tendency has no limit. This quickening influence, with the reduced buying standard of the dollar is the logical explanation, he well says. He adds that clear visioned collectors with purses that will allow of indulgence in the best of U. S. stamps are not without their effect.

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Here—Mr. B. W. H. Poole, one of the deans of the WEEKLY's staff, passed through Chicago *en route* to Los Angeles, where he will repeat his philatelic triumphs. Mr. Poole says that the market at this time of year is "peculiar to itself" inasmuch as in the summer season the demand for fine things outstrips the supply.

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Happy—"Your par about the serious collector is good but I want to introduce the sober collector," writes a subscriber. "In a recent stamp article the 'sober collector' was mentioned just six times. It is possible that the author knows his subject as he says that 'members do not go home soberly from the stamp society meeting'. However, with the advent of July 1st, there will be more sober collectors than ever before."

OUR BOOK REVIEW.

"A Brief Philatelic Bibliography" with prices, by Percy C. Bishop, has just appeared from the publishing house of F. Hugh Vallancey, 89 Farringdon St., London, England. As its name implies, we have here a list of handbooks and articles on postage stamps. The author disclaims any completeness for the list, but at the same time we cannot fail to express our admiration for the length of the list and the field that it covers. While Eugene Klein, of Philadelphia, has without doubt the most varied stock of philatelic publications that can be found in America, Mr. Vallancey appears to have the finest lot not only in England but the world. Copies may be obtained at 6c each, but intending purchasers will please note that the office of the WEEKLY has no supply of this list.

A book resulting from the war is "Stamps of the New Europe" by Fred. J. Melville, price 14c postfree, to be obtained from Fred J. Melville Ltd., 110 Strand, London. This book gives in attractive form the story of the stamps recently issued as a sequel to the war and Mr. Melville affirms that they are "historic records of the greatest period in history". Mr. Melville is rather chary in pricing the hundreds of stamps he has listed but as he writes it, "The valuing and pricing of them presents a problem of much complexity". He says that these stamps "are often obsolete before the first lot reaches England and each consecutive consignment has to be charged up at enhanced prices. Mr. Melville covers Jugo-Slavia, Latonia, Poand, Trieste, Laibach, Esthonia, Fiume, Trent, Croatia, Finland and Ukraine. A new and revised edition of the catalog will be issued when the necessity for it is evident.

RARE AND SCARCE.

A youthful collector in Palouse, Wash., sends a letter to the WEEKLY in which he criticizes the too frequent use of the words "rare" and "scarce". We feel that our correspondent is right in his contention that some dealers are using these terms in such a way as to cheapen their merit in describing values. We offer the suggestion that it would be well for dealers to exercise care in the future in the use of these words.

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A PHILATELIC DICTIONARY.

By BERTRAM W. H. POOLE.

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S. G.—An overprint found on certain South Australian stamps used between 1868 and 1874 on the correspondence of the Surveyor-General. These stamps were suppressed in 1874 in favor of the issue overprinted "OS" for general use in all government departments.

(II). These letters signifying "Sudan Government," were punctured through the 5m stamps of the 1897-8 issues and served as official stamps until 1903.

SGR.—An abbreviation for "silbergroschen" found on many of the stamps of the German states.

S. H.—The first stamps issued by the United Duchies of Schleswig and Holstein bore no name, but simply the letters "S.H", which were placed in the upper angles.

(II). These letters appear on the base of the bust of some of the envelope stamps of Great Britain and signify "Somerset House"—where the work of stamping them was performed.

SHADE.—A shade, in philatelic parlance, is a slight variation — either lighter or darker—from the normal color of a stamp.

SHAHI. — The value shown upon many of the stamps of Persia and Afghanistan. In Persia 20 shahi are equal to a kran, worth about 8c in American money, while in Afghanistan 12 shahi equal a rupee and a shahi is only worth about 1½c. The Persian shahi is often spelled "chahi".

SHAMROCK. — A shamrock forms part of the device in the watermark known as the heraldic emblems found in some of the early stamps of Great Britain.

SHANGHAI.—The most important seaport of Central China. Its first postage stamps were issued in 1865 and it has continued to issue its own stamps to the present day.

SHANGHAI LOCAL POST.—The inscription shown on the 1890-93 postage stamps of Shanghai.

SHANGHAI L. P. O.—The inscription shown on all the stamps of Shanghai issued prior to 1890. The letters "L. P. O." signify "Local Post Office".

SHANGHAI MUNICIPALITY.—The inscription shown on all Shanghai stamps issued since 1893.

SHEET. — A sheet of stamps is a term applied to a piece of paper upon which an impression has been printed from a stamp plate. Naturally, they vary greatly in size and in some cases —the stamps of the United States, for example—the large sheets are cut up into two or more portions before issue. These smaller sheets are sometimes known as post office sheets.

SHEET NUMBERS.—These are consecutive numbers struck on the margins of some sheets of stamps—usually in the upper right-hand corner. They refer to the number of sheets printed and included in a specific consignment and therefore act as a check or control on the stamps despatched from the printers.

SHILLING. — The value in which many of the stamps of the British Empire are expressed. A shilling is worth 24c in United States currency.

SHINY BARS.—For a time the paper upon which the stamps of Austria were printed was covered with an arrangement of parallel bars of shiny varnish of a pale brown color. The object of this was to prevent used stamps being cleaned, but this safeguard was discontinued after 1905 as being of little practical value.

SIAM. — An Asiatic kingdom lying between British Burmah and French Indo-China. Postage stamps were first issued in 1883.

SIC FORTIS ETRURIA CREVIT.—The motto shown on the famous "Sydney View" stamps of New South Wales meaning "Thus brave Etruria grew".

SICILIA.—The Italian equivalent for Sicily as shown upon the stamps for that state.

SICILY.—The largest, most fertile and populous island of the Mediterranean, forming part of the kingdom of Italy. Its first postage stamps appeared in 1859. These were superseded by the stamps of the Neapolitan Provinces in 1861, and in the following year these, in turn, were replaced by the general issue for the kingdom of Italy.

SIERRA LEONE.—A British colony on the west coast of Africa which issued its first postage stamps in 1860.

SIGILLUM NOV. CAMB. AUST.—This inscription appears on the circular band surrounding the view on the "Sydney View" stamps of New South Wales. It signifies "Seal of New South Wales, Australia".

SIGIL. INSS. ANTIGUAE ET BARBUDAE.—An inscription shown below the centerpiece of the 1903 stamps of Antigua meaning "Seal of Antigua and Barbuda".

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Dear Sirs—Your letter of June 19th is received.

The following is quoted from a letter of the Director, Bureau of Engraving and Printing, dated March 25, 1919:

'This Bureau has on hand approximately 85,000 sheets of 170 subjects each of the 1, 2 and 3-cent stamps. These sheets result from the manufacturing of coiled stamps, and are laid aside as mutilated because they cannot be made into coils on account of some defect, but otherwise are commercially perfect.

'We propose to perforate these sheets and to put them in packages of 100 sheets each, with 170 stamps to the sheet. * * * * * * * * * * *

'It is requested that the Post Office Department approve of the putting up and shipment of these stamps, as above, to postmasters upon your order, and while it is not possible just now to advise you approximately of the number of stamps of this character which will result from defective coil work in the future it is not expected that it will be very great, and when accumulations of these stamps, say once a month, are made, notice will be given to the Post Office Department that we have so many of these stamps on hand, when the necessary order can be made for shipment.'

Answering your questions, so far as known the Department will continue to issue stamps in sheets of 170 perforated 10-hole on the rotary press and 11-hole on the regular perforators, as the waste mentioned by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing accumulates.

No action has been taken looking to the issuance of higher denominations than the 3c in sheets of 170.

Any continued issue of stamps in heets of 170 must necessarily be with the 10x11 (should be 11x10, Editor) perforations, because of their being perforated on machines of different types.

(Signed) A. M. DOCKERY,
Third Assistant Postmaster General."

This means that we are likely to have more of the 1c and 2c with this perforation and later on possibly the 4c and 5c, but with the domestic postage back at 2c the 3c coil will terminate and therefore the few 3c out will quite likely be scarce. It is interesting to note that at first but a very few of these were found and commanded good prices, due to the fact that the New York stock became exhausted before the collectors and dealers were aware of the variety. Later on, however, a second lot followed and some dealers were then able to lay in a supply.

We are anxiously waiting to learn if any of the 3c type I were among the lot. The sheets were not always torn along the guide line consequently pairs of all values may be found with guide line between.

We also wonder what the Bureau does with its endwise coil waste, for if they later issue these in sheet form we will have the 10x11 as well as the 11x10. As far as we can learn these stamps were on sale in New York only, and if as we suppose they received the entire lot, the supply at the longest would last but a few days.

BARGAINS IN MINT BRITISH COLONIAL

No.		Cat price.	My price
4	**Nyasaland Prot.** 1908, 3p vio. yellow	.20	.10
5	1908, 4p scarlet-blk. yel.	.30	.15
6	1908, 6p violet	.40	.20
7	1908, 2sh 6p car.-blk.blue	2.00	1.25
61	**Orange River Col.** '03, ½p grn.	.12	.06
62	1903, 1p carmine	.10	.04
63	1903, 2p chocolate	.25	.12
64	1903, 2½p ultramarine	.25	.12
65	1903, 3p violet	.35	.15
66	1903, 4p green-carmine	.85	.40
67	1903, 6p violet-carmine	.50	.20
68	1903, 1sh bistre-carmine	1.25	.60
	British New Guinea Papua.		
5	1901-05, 4p black brn.-black	2.50	1.00
7	1901-05, 1sh orange-black	2.50	1.00
29	1907-10, 2p violet-black	.75	.30
30	1907-10, 2½p ultra.-black	.40	.18
54	1911-12, 4p olive green	.16	.12
15	**Penrhyn Islands** '14, 1sh ver.	.40	.32
72	**Rhodesia** 1905, 1p rose red	.12	.06
53	**St. Helena** 1903, 8p brn.-blk.	.75	.35
54	1903, 1sh orange-brn.	1.00	.50
55	1903, 2sh violet-black	1.50	1.00
61	1912, ½p green-black	.03	.02
62	1912, 1p carmine-black	.05	.03
63	1912, 1½p orange-black	.06	.05
64	1912, 2p gray-black	.08	.06
65	1912. 2½ ultra.-black	.10	.08
6	**St. Kitts-Nevis** '03,6p vio.blk.	1.00	.45
7	1903, 1sh orange-green	1.25	.60
8	1903, 2sh black-green	.80	.65
9	1903, 2sh 6p vio.-black	1.25	.85
10	1903, 5sh green-violet	1.75	1.60
13	1905, 2p brown-violet	.08	.06
16	1907-10, 1p carmine	.05	.03
51	**St. Lucia** '04-06,1p vio.-car.rose	.15	.08
54	1904-06, 6p vio.-deep vio.	1.00	.50
55	1904-06, 1sh green-black.	2.50	1.25
60	1907-10, 3p violet yellow	.30	.12
61	1907-10, 6p vio.-red violet	1.50	.65
62	1907-10, 1sh green	1.00	.45
71	1913, 2p gray	.08	.06
74	**St. Vincent** '02, 2½p vio.-ultra.	1.00	.40
75	1902. 3p violet-olive green	.65	.30
76	1902, 6p violet-brown	1.50	.70
77	1902, 1sh grn.-carm. rose	3.25	1.50
78	1902, 2sh green-violet	2.00	1.00
79	1902, 5sh green-ultra	5.00	2.50
104	1913, ½p gray green	.03	.02
105	1913, 1p carmine	.05	.03
106	1913, 2p gray	.08	.06
107	1913, 2½p ultramarine	.10	.08
108	1913, 3p violet yellow	.12	.08
109	1913, 4p red yellow	.16	.12
110	1913, 5p olive green	.20	.15
111	1913, 6p claret	.24	.18
116	1914, 1sh bistre	.40	.35
65	**Sierra Leone** '03, 1p vio.-carm.	.12	.05
71	1903, 5p violet-black	1.25	.60
86	1904-05, 1sh green-black	1.00	.50
87	1904-05. 2sh green-ultra	1.75	1.00
88	1904-05, 5sh grn.-carm.	4.50	2.50
100	1907-11, 2sh violet-blue	3.00	1.75
101	1907-11, 5sh grn.-red yel.	5.00	3.00
104	1912, 1p carmine	.05	.03
105	1912, 1½p orange	.06	.05
106	1912, 2p gray	.08	.06
107	1912, 2½p ultramarine	.10	.08
108	1912, 3p violet yellow	.12	.08
109	1912, 4p black-red yell.	.16	.12
110	1912, 5p violet-olive	.20	.15
111	1912, 6p violet	.24	.18
112	1912, 7p violet-orange	.26	.20
113	1912, 9p violet-black	.32	.25
114	1912, 10p violet-red	.35	.30
115	1912, 1sh green	.40	.35
27	**Somaliland Prot.** 1904, ½a grn.	.08	.03
28	1904. 1a carmine-black	.30	.10
8	**So. Nigeria** 1901. 5sh yel.-blk.	5.00	2.50
9	1901, 10sh violet-blk. yel.	7.50	3.75
13	1902, 4p green-black	.60	.30
14	1902, 6p violet-black	1.25	.60
15	1902, 1sh black-green	2.50	1.25
16	1902, 2sh 6p brn.-black	3.00	1.50
17	1902, 5sh yellow-black	5.00	2.50
21	1904-07, ½p green-black	.08	.04
22	1904-07, 1p carmine-black	.15	.08
24	1904-07, 2½p ultra.-black	.50	.25

No.		Cat price.	My pri
25	1904-07, 4p green-black	1.00	
26	1904-07, 6p violet-black	.85	
27	1904-07, 1sh black-green	.85	
102	**Sts. Settlem'ts** '02,$1 grn.-blk.	3.50	1
105	1903-04, 1c green	.10	
106	1903-04, 3c dull violet	.50	
134	1908-11, 1c blue green	.04	
135	1908-11, 3c carmine	.08	
136a	1908-11, 4c lake	.40	
137	1908-11, 5c orange	.12	
149	1912, 4c gray violet	.15	
14	**Malay States** '01, 1c grn.-blk.	.04	
20	1901, 20c black-violet	.50	
35	1906, 3c brown	.15	
40	1909, 3c carmine	.05	
41	1909, 8c ultramarine	.10	
1	**Kedah** 1912, 1c green-black	.03	
2	1912, 3c carmine-black	.05	
3	1912, 4c slate-carmine	.06	
4	1912, 5c brown-green	.08	
5	1912, 8c ultramarine-black	.12	
6	1912, 10c brown-blue	.15	
7	1912, 20c green-black	.25	
8	1912, 30c carmine-black	.40	
9	1912, 40c lilac-black	.50	
2	**Trengganu** 1910, 3c rose red	.06	
3	1910, 4c brown orange	.07	
4	1910, 5c gray	.08	
78	**Togo** 1915, 5sh green-red yel.	4.00	3.
252	**Transvaal** 1902, ½p grn.-black	.06	
253	1902, 1p rose-black	.08	
254	1902, 2p violet-black	.12	
255	1902, 2½p ultramarine	.35	
256	1902, 6p orange-black	.60	
257	1902, 1sh green-black	1.50	
258	1902, 2sh brown-black	3.00	1.
259	1902, 2sh 6p black-violet	1.50	
260	1902, 5sh violet-blk. yell.	2.50	1.
261	1902, 10sh violet-blk. red	5.00	3.
272	1904-06, 3p green-black	.15	
273	1904-06. 4p chocolate-blk	.20	
274	1904-06, 6p orange-black	.50	
275	1904-06, 1sh brown-black	.50	
280	1905-07, ½p green	.04	
281	1905-07, 1p carmine	.06	
282	1909-10, 2p dull violet	.10	
85	**Trinidad** 1902-07, ½p gray grn.	.05	
86	1902-07, 1p black red	.08	
88	1902-07, 4p grn.-ultra. buff	.30	
91	1904-08, ½p gray green	.06	
92	1904-08, 1p black red	.12	
103	1909, 6p violet	.50	
105	1909, ½p gray green	.04	
106	1909, 1p carmine	.06	
107	1909, 2½p ultramarine	.65	
1	**Trinidad-Tobago** '13, ½p grn.	.03	
2	1913, 1p carmine	.05	
4	1913. 2½p ultramarine	.10	
5	1913, 4p scarlet-black yel.	.16	
6	1913, 6p violet	.24	
7	1913, 1sh green	.40	
8	1914, 4p scarlet-blk. yel.	1.00	
9	1914, 1sh green	.85	
23	**Turks-Caicos Is.**'10-11, ½p claret	.12	
24	1910-11, ½p red	.08	
29	1913-16, 3p violet yellow	.12	
30	1913-16, 4p scarlet yellow	.16	
33	1913-16, 1sh orange	.40	
76	**Uganda** 1902, ½a yellow grn.	.12	
77	1902, 2½a dark blue	.25	
1	**Un. of So. Af.** '10, 2½p dp.blue	.18	
2	1913-15, ½p green	.03	
3	1913-15, 1p scarlet	.05	
4	1913-15, 2p violet	.08	
5	1913-15, 2½p ultramarine.	.10	
6	1913-15, 3p orange-black.	.12	
7	1913-15, 4p green-orange.	.16	
8	1913-15, 6p violet-black	.24	
9	1913-15, 1sh orange	.40	
29	**Virgin Isl.** 1904, ½p vio.-grn.	.05	
30	1904, 1p violet-scarlet	.10	
31	1904, 2p violet-bistre	.75	
32	1904, 2½p vio.-ultramarine	.25	
33	1904, 3p violet-black	.30	
34	1904, 6p violet-brown	.35	
35	1904, 1sh green-scarlet	.70	
77	**Zanzibar** 1901, 1a carm.-red	.12	
121	1913, 3c yellow green	.06	
122	1913, 6c carmine	.08	

CHAS. S. OSGOOD, P. O. BOX 204, SALEM, MASS

The Economist Stamp Company informs us that they have secured a coil of the 5c rotary, coiled sidewise, perforated 10 vertically on unwatermarked paper. The entire coil series has now appeared on unwatermarked paper.

1919 Rotary Print, Unwatermarked, Perforated 10.
5c blue, Sidewise coil.

Mr. J. M. Bartels tells us that he has located Die H of the 3c envelope on buff, Size 7, watermark 19, knife 51. This envelope is now known in all dies, that is A, E, F and H, on buff.

1916-19 Circular Die.
3c violet on buff, Die H.

Mr. P. M. Mann has located another provisional series of "Narcotic" surcharges, this time from San Diego, although we are of the opinion that they were issued in Los Angeles. The surcharge is applied by a hand rubber stamp in violet, in san serif capitals, 2½ mm. tall and 13½ mm. long. The surcharging, we are told, was poorly done and was applied in all ways, up, down, straight, inverted, etc. Six values in all were so issued namely the 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c. 8c and 10c. So far we have accounted for provisionals from New York, Philadelphia, Detroit, Baltimore and Los Angeles. We know the Collectors of Internal Revenue in the other districts had to have these stamps and if our friends know of any varieties that we have not

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1919 Los Angeles, Provisional "Narcotic" Surcharged on 1916 Documentaries.
Violet Surcharge.

1c rose.	4c rose.
2c rose.	8c rose.
3c rose.	10c rose.

We wish to thank the following correspondents for their courtesy in remembering us. Messrs. W. A. Langdon, W. A. Sisson, W. V. Abdill, W. A. Geiger, F. W. Armstrong, L. Peter Krogh and L. D. Peaslee.

AUSTRIA.—Prof. M. Loewy calls our attention to a recent item in this column that the surcharge on the stamps was "Deutschoterreich". This should have been "Deutschosterreich".

FRANCE.—Some months ago we referred to reports which were circulating regarding the impending appearance of special Aeroplane postage stamps for this republic and the belief that the opportunity would be taken of incorporating the portraits of certain great French aviators in the designs of these stamps. So far as we are aware, there is no official confirmation of the report, but now we find the following in our technical contemporary, the "Aeroplane":—

"AN AERIAL POSTAGE STAMP.

"The French postal authorities propose to charge a surtax of 75c on packets of 500 gr, 1 fr from 500-800 gr, and 1 fr 25c above that weight, on packages or letters carried by aerial post. A special stamp is being printed at the Boulevard Brune works, designed by M. Leon Ruffe. In the centre of the design is the head of Capt. Guynemer; on the left a view of Issy-les-Moulineaux, the cradle of French aviation; and on the right an aeroplane flying over the Seine. The stamp is to be issued in three colours for the different denominations—black, blue, and red respectively. It will not be issued to the public, but will be affixed to correspondence by the Post Office to show that the proper fee has been paid."—*Stamp Collecting.*

GREAT BRITAIN.—(1483)—Referring to our item in a previous issue regarding the 1d, No. 79, stamp, we are informed by Mr. J. F. Garlock that he has an envelope in his possession bearing this stamp (addressed by "Annie Thomas", the authoress, to a friend of hers in London) and is postmarked July 9, 1880, Paddington W—. Also the back of the envelope bears the receiving postmark of same date, Jy., 9, 80, London. It is evident that Scott is wrong on this item.

Information is also at hand from Mr. A. V. Richardson that he has two copies of the same stamp (both used in London) dated 3 Jan 1880 and 10 Jan 1880, and also adds that the 1d, red, with plate number, was not withdrawn from use immediately, however. He has a copy used as late as May 3, 1880.

ITALIAN AUSTRIA.—The Italian stamps overprinted with values in "Centesimi, di Corona" were withdrawn from use on April 29, and the ordinary adhesives of that country, without overprint, are now current in the occupied territory. Some items of the superseded issue have reached very high prices.—*Stamp Collecting.*

JAMAICA.—The 1½d commemorative stamp, which we forecasted some months ago, is now officially foreshadowed, the following supplementary details being supplied:—"A new 1½d pictorial stamp, depicting the Jamaica contingent embarking, has been engraved and will be printed, by the copper-plate process, in light green colour. The stamp is oblong in shape, about 1½ in. by 1 in., and each sheet contains forty stamps."

It is also stated that, the stock of 5s stamps (bearing the Arms of the Colony) having been exhausted, a supply of this value, printed from the *King George* plate, is in course of preparation. —*Stamp Collecting.*

JUGO-SLAVIA.—M. Champion informs us of the appearance of a 2h stamp for newspapers and periodicals. It is a plain label, printed in orange, with S H S, in a circle, in the centre, the inscription DRZ. POSTA HRVATSKA above, and numerals in the lower corners. He also mentions a series of four values which were issued to commemorate the independence of Croatia. They are decidedly crude in effect, showing the torso of a man, with Slav inscriptions. These are now obsolete, and apparently very rare.—*Stamp Collecting.*

We are informed by Messrs. Bright & Son that the following Unpaids (numerals in centre) Laibach issue have appeared: 5, 10, 20, 50h red on white, and 1, 5kr blue on grey.

NORWAY.—Mr. W. F. Palmer advises us that in looking over a set of 1910-12 re-engraved he finds that the 12 ore purple is a little different from the others. The tail of the "R" or Norge extends and touches the "G".

PERSIA.—We have received three new provisional stamps which were issued at Teheran in April. They are a very roughly imitated and badly printed copy of the design of the 1908 issue (type "jj" in our catalogue), with the two circles in the upper corners and the value tablet at foot left blank, the whole stamp being overprinted in the centre "Provisoire 1919, 1 (3 or 6) chahi," Persian characters in the upper circles and "1 (3 or 6) ch" at foot. The values are 1ch yellow, 3ch green, and 6ch violet. There are two errors on the sheet of the 1 chahi the 6th stamp on the top row having the central numeral "1" inverted, and the 7th stamp on the bottom row having a numeral without either serif at the top or cross stroke at foot. They are evidently a local production, there being a serious shortage of stamps in Persia, owing to the difficulty of getting supplies from Europe.

Our correspondent at Teheran has sent us some interesting information, which we publish as a warning for the benefit of our clients. Four surcharged stamps have appeared, 1, 2, 3 and 5 tomans on the 10 and 14 chahi of 1892 issue. Postmasters are not allowed to sell these to the public under a heavy penalty, they are put on parcel receipts (not on the parcels themselves), which are retained by the Post Office and sent to the Head Office and then sold to speculators. Some sheets have the overprint inverted, no doubt done purposely. We hope the

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Finally, it is stated that a set of "War" stamps is to appear shortly, which will cost 100 tomans (about £40), but whether this is the face value or includes a premium is not stated. This is an excellent opportunity for some of our war profiteers to get rid of part of their ill-gotten gains, as they will not be likely to see their money back!—*Whitfield King's Monthly List.*

POLAND.—Bright & Son inform us that the Poland on German Warsaw has the variety "Pocata" for "Poczta" on four different stamps:—5 on 2½, 5 on 3, 5 and 40pf. Also, a sheet of 40pf has been found doubly overprinted including the error. A variety showing single bar instead of double bar over DEUTSCHES REICH on 5 on 3, 5 on 2½ and 25 on 7½pf has been found on stamp 97 in the sheet.

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.—D. H. Seale of St. Thomas advises us that he has a specimen of the Red Cross issue of 1915 in which there is no period after the "15" of "21. 10. 15." Mr. Seale adds that while this variety in the October, 1919, issue is catologed, this is the first that he has seen in the 1915 issue, although he has examined thousands of the stamps and made inquiries of other collectors.

THE SHANGHAI OVERPRINT.

(American Philatelic Service.)

For the first time in twenty years the United States Government has especially prepared a series of its postage stamps for use in a foreign land. On account of the confusion, associated with the price of silver to-day, such franking labels are to be put in circulation in China.

Not since the days of the Spanish-American War have United States stamps with overprinted markings, which philatelists call "surcharges", been put into use in territory outside of the United States. During that period, surcharged American adhesives were despatched to Cuba, Porto Rico, the Philippines and Guam for temporary or provisional use on mail originating in those former Spanish possessions.

The stamps now being prepared by order of the Post Office Department are to be sold only through the United States Postal Agency at Shanghai, and for the prepayment of postage only on mail which is deposited through that agency for transmission to addresses in the United States and colonies. The prices at which these adhesives will sell in Shanghai differ in that it will require twice as much Chinese silver money, to buy one stamp, as the purchaser will have to surrender if he makes payment in gold.

It is to simplify this method of payment that the Government decided to incorporate in the text of the surcharge an additional value which amounts to twice the face value of each stamp. To illustrate, the overprint on the one-cent label will read "Shanghai—2 cent—China" in three lines, while the new value of the 4-cent stamp will read "8 cent". Similarly the 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 15, 20, 30 and 50 cent and $1 denominations are being overprinted with the name of the city and country and an additional value. The 10-cent special delivery stamp also is treated in this manner. Of the current series, only the 11 and 13 cent denominations are not to be thus surcharged.

After July 1 the postal rate of an ordinary letter is to be reduced to two cents, the wartime tax of one cent being removed by Congress. Thus a person who enters the American post office in Shanghai to mail a letter to the United States will, upon purchasing one of the overprinted two-cent stamps, be required to pay four Chinese silver cents to make certain his letter will reach its destination. In return for two Chinese silver dollars the purchaser will be handed fifty of these surcharged 2 cent labels the face value of which is $1 but the total overprinted value of which amounts to $2; and these fifty stamps will prepay postage on fifty letters. On the other hand, if the purchaser offers $2 in American gold, 100 2-cent stamps will be given him which will prepay on 100 letters.

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The telegraph stamps in use at the present time are surcharged postage stamps of the 1906-1907 issue except where noted. The word TELEGRAFOS is overprinted in black letters, the inscription measuring 2½x18½ mm., and the new value when present in similar type, in the 5 cts., on ½c, measuring 3x8 mm.

The varieties which I have seen are:—

1. 2c red and black, surch. diag. in black.
2. 5c on ½c deep rose (1915), surch. horiz. in black.
   a. inverted surcharge.
   b. double surcharge.
   c. double surcharge, one inverted.
   d. double surch., one shifted to right.
   e. double surcharge, TELEGRAFOS twice, "5 cts." once.
   f. double surcharge, "5 cts." above TELEGRAFOS.
3. 10c dark violet and black, surcharged diagonally in black.
   a. double surcharge.
4. 20c on 25c red-brown and black, surcharged horizontally in red.
   a. double surcharge.
   b. surcharge shifted to right.
   c. and d. entire surcharge shifted so that on first row of sheet only the "T" of TELEGRAFOS appears while the others read ELEGRAFOS and "5 cts."
5. 25c red-brown and black, surcharged diagonally in black.
6. 50c black, surcharged diagonally in red.

The revenue stamps in use for documents are of a type quite common in Mexico and Argentina, in which the stamp is double, one-half being attached to the document and the other half remaining in the possession of the government. In the case of the Panama issues the entire stamp is square forming two triangles when divided, the central design is the arms of Panama, of which one-half is shown in the portion on the document. My correspondent on the Isthmus, Mr. J. P. Coveleski, has been unable to obtain the entire stamps, so that I can only give a full description of the portion that goes to the public. The stamps are lithographed, the work being very poor and colors usually pale, and the whole result in marked contrast to the beautiful postal issues that are printed in the United States. The arms and border are in color, inscriptions always in black. Size of entire stamp 36x36 mm., perforated 12. The inscription for the 1c reads as follows:

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DERECHOS SOBRE ENCOMIENDAS
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The others read the same with change of value.

I am informed that the values run as high as 100 balboas, but only list those up to 10 balboas, as neither Mr. Coveleski nor I have seen the higher values.

1. 1c gray and black.
2. 2c light gray-blue and black.
3. 4c bistre and black.
4. 5c pale red and black.
5. 10c lilac and black.
6. 20c pale gray and black.
7. 25c pale green and black.
8. 50c light red and black.
9. 1b light yellow and black.
10. 2b light brown and black.
11. 5b orange and black.
12. 10b deep blue and black.

There are also revenue stamps in use for cigarettes and liquors, but the only one that I can describe at present is the 1c cigarette stamp. It is oblong, 17x143 mm., having at the left the arms of Panama and at the right "1917" with ornamental panels at sides. In the center the inscription reads:—

REPUBLICA DE PANAMA
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1. 1c black on pale greenish paper, typographed, perf. 12 horizontally, imperforate vertically.

In conclusion, I cannot but express the regret that I feel and which I am sure is shared by others, that some publisher here does not undertake the issue of a catalogue of foreign revenue stamps, and also of our own state revenue stamps. As a rule they are far

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20	6py rose	.30	1.50	1.25
32	3c blue	2.25	.70	.65
34	6c dull rose	.17	.17	.15
37	3c blue	2.25	.80	.65
38	5c blue	2.25	.45	.37
45	1c deep green	.11	.06	.05
46	2c red orange	.08	.08	.07
47	3c umber brown	.60	.12	.10
49	10c black	.90	.90	.80
50	½c black	.07	.06	.05
52E	5c bright blue	.25	.16	.13
53	6c carmine lake	.40	.40	.33
69	12c dark blue	.20	.18	.15
70	15c scarlet	.25	.25	.22
71	24c gray violet	.40	.40	.36
72	30c slate	.50	.45	.40
73	35c red	.55	.55	.48
74	60c black	.95	.90	.80
78	1c carmine rose	.06	.05	.04
79	2c orange	.09	.09	.07
84	5c blue	.10	.04	.03
85	4c violet	.10	.08	.06
87	1c deep green	.15	.12	.10
87a	1c Perf. 12x11	.07	.03	.02
87b	1c Perf. 12x14½	.15	.08	.07
88	2c carmine	.10	.03	.02
88a	2c Perf. 12x14½	.18	.04	.03
91	5c ultramarine	.15	.10	.07
91a	5c Perf. 12x14½	.15	.10	.07
108	5c ultramarine	.08	.04	.03

1919 CARIBOU ISSUE.

Value.	Unused.	Used
1c green	.03	.02
2c red	.04	.03
3c brown	.05	.03
4c violet	.08	.05
5c ultramarine	.08	.04
6c slate gray	.10	.07
8c magenta	.13	.10
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A JUNIOR DICTIONARY.

By C. A. HOWES.

(Outside of the author of our Dictionary no one has taken a livelier interest in it than C. A. Howes, the former president of the A. P. S. Mr. Howes is a most painstaking student and we are indebted to him for considerable service in the reading of proofs, etc. When the completed work appears every page will have been proof read by Mr.. Howes, and while we shall not hold him responsible for any errors that may creep in, we shall give him great credit for the measure of perfection attained by the work.—W. O. W.)

IDROVOLANTE.—A surcharge on an Italian special delivery stamp used in June, 1917, for airplane mail between Naples and Palermo, Sicily as shown by the further surcharge NAPOLI-PALERMO-NAPOLI. The word means literally "hydroflight" and its application to the route between the cities mentioned is obvious.

I. E. F. D.—This overprint, together with the word Postage, appeared on certain Turkish fiscal stamps in 1919. The letters represent "Indian Expeditionary Force (Troop) D." This "Troop D" is the military force that occupied the city of Mosul northwest of Baghdad where the provisionals were used.

POCCIR.—This word is made from the Russian alphabet (or "Cyrillic") and to be properly spelled the last letter is our R written backwards, but is "ya" in its sound. The word is "Russia" in Russian. The word as it appears upon the stamps is the equivalent of Ros-si-ya.

HAITI SURCHARGES 1915-1919.

A correspondent sends us some valuable data dealing with the surcharges applied to Haitian stamps 1915 to 1919 We quote from his letter and include a table submitted by him:—

I have noticed that there appears to be considerable confusion regarding the Haitian surcharges, of the last three years, and I have enclosed a list of them *ALL* with the number of each surcharged. The rarity of these items cannot be judged from the number printed as I am fairly sure that certain ones are still in the hands of local speculators, and may show up at any moment. On the other hand one of the rarest I believe will be the one I have marked "xx", as this was issued in red for only a few days during the rush of Christmas and New Year cards, and was exhausted before the speculator could get hold of it or knew of its existence. Doubles, inverted and "one without" surcharges exist in practically all these stamps, and those so surcharged during the last two years (that is since an American Post office inspector has taken charge) I believe to be genuine. Previous to the arrival of this inspector, many faked inverted et cetera were issued. Of this I am certain as I have seen a strip of Scott's No. 148 in which each stamp had a different sort of surcharge, manifestly made to order. Practically all the genuine odd surcharges occur at the corners of the sheet. The effort to create interest in the stamp of Haiti by statements that this republic will soon become a dependent of the United States are hardly in accordance with the facts. The United States has a treaty with Haiti which is now good for twenty years and gives us sufficient control to maintain the present form of government, and the continuance of the issue of stamps by the Haitian government itself.

	No. Issued
Large "1", red on Scott's 107,	933
Large "1", blue on Scott's 107,	8297
Large "1", blue on Scott's 101,	197700
Large "1", blue on Scott's 106,	11044
Large "1", blue on Scott's 100,	350500
Large "1", blue on Scott's 99,	74049
Large "1", red on Scott's 98,	10000
Large "1", red on Scott's 130,	248668
(b) Page 488, red on Scott's 133,	220900
(a) Page 488, black on Scott's 132,	51597
(a) Page 488, blue on Scott's 132,	253153
(b) Page 488, red on Scott's 136,	134400
(b) Page 488, red on Scott's 169,	27000
(b) Page 488, red on Scott's 131,	133600
(b) Page 488, black on Scott's 131,	106800
(a) Page 488, red on Scott's 134,	60000
(a) Page 488, black on Scott's 158,	5400
(a) Page 488, black on Scott's 172,	8900
(a) Page 488, black on Scott's 173,	9000
(a) Page 488, black on Scott's 134,	59500
(a) Page 488, red on Scott's 135,	71400
(a) Page 488, black on Scott's 135,	59100
(a) Page 488, black on Scott's 128,	130000
(a) Page 488, red on Scott's 166,	26000
Large "1", red on Scott's 123,	1000
Large "1", red on Scott's 124,	1240
(b) Page 488, red on Scott's 156,	23000
(b) Page 488, red on Scott's 127,	51000
(a) Page 488, brown on Scott's 168,	23000
(a) Page 488, red on Scott's 171,	20000
(5 cts gourde) blue on Scott's 170,	16000
(5 cts gourde) red on Scott's 171,	4000
(b) Page 488, red on Scott's 171,	19000
(b) Page 488, red on Scott's 134,	95000
(b) Page 488, red on Scott's 170,	50000

A new type of the .01, .02 and .05 surcharge commences the figure being repeated four times in the surcharge. When noted will be followed by (x).

**.01 (x) red on Scott's 192,	10000
.01 (x) black on Scott's 192,	135000
.05 (x) black on Scott's 212,	45000
(b) Page 488, red on Scott's 211,	30000
(b) Page 488, green on Scott's 191,	150000
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Some people call him Signor, but he is better known as "Unique" and many more people call him "Signor Unique." He is a bent little man in a long green Prince Albert coat that was once black. A short gray beard frames a pale face in squashed folds on which squats a flat nose. Bushy, low-arched eyebrows shade two little eyes which move rapidly up and down and in and out of their orbs as move scared little mice in their hole. Such is the appearance of Signor when you meet him in his musty shop littered with bric-a-brac.

On the street his gait is so irregular it suggests that he is vociferating with his legs; that the two limbs are quarreling with the jerking arms and that the four limbs argue each separately with the pavement and the curb stones about things we simple mortals will never understand.

From where and when he came here nobody knows. But all the antiquarians on 28th Street swear—and some of these gentlemen are much older than the antiques they sell—that Signor was there before any of them was born, that his shop is the oldest on the street.

They also assure you that he can "smell" a fake antique from a distance. In fact, they maintain, this sixth sense of Signor has been his undoing. He could not "guarantee" the genuineness of an article. He knew too much.

Most of the others guaranteed in good faith and ignorance thousands of pieces, and made fortunes, where Signor only shook his head derisively.

They have sold "genuine" Memlings to collecting millionaires, swords of Gaspard Olivares and statues of Osiris as well as Chinese porcelains and Buddhas, the origin of which they refused to know, while Signor maintained that the real things still on the market would not fill a good sized shoe.

On the dusty shelves in Signor's store are pieces in brass, pewter, glass and iron of no particular artistic value, but the origin of each thing is guaranteed by the dusty old man.

He will tell you the whole history of every bit of metal in his shop. And if you think him stark mad when he announces the price of the iron hinge on which once hung the principal door of the Amiens Cathedral, or of the brass lantern which once adorned the nuptial chambers of the Moor King Mambrin of Don Quixote fame—if you are stunned by Signor's prices he will tell you that all these things are "unique."

Signor never owned or sold a thing which was not unique. He has investigated that Cathedral door hinge and convinced himself that the upper hinge on which now hangs the door is a new one. As to the brass lantern, he has a hundred authorities to strengthen his allegation.

One must know that Signor does not deal in things that have their counterpart somewhere on this planet.

But above all, Signor has always been proud of his collection of stamps. Among the philatelists the world over he is listed as the owner of the most searched for stamps.

There are standing offers of thousands of dollars for some of the little colored squares of paper Signor is tucking safely away in his heavy safe every sundown. Bent over his little desk in a corner of his darkened shop, the old man is daily examining his stamp collection.

He looks them over again and again; treats them, where there is suspicion of decay, nurses them back to health, using medicines from labelled bottles or by exposing them to the air after mid-day, when the rays of the sun no longer affect color and tissue.

No living thing ever had his care. To these square pieces of paper he has devoted all his life. To obtain them he has schemed and worried and worked and lived.

Of all the stamps in his collection, Signor had one which had given him the greatest trouble and which he had nursed for years. It was the only postage stamp left of a first emission of one of the Bahama Islands.

For some reason or other this stamp was perforated and the edge around the little holes in the paper was thinning away with a rapidity frightful to the old philatelist.

He loved that stamp as a father loves a sick child of genius. There was not another one like it in the world. Not another bit of carmine paper with a five-cornered crown and a small cross a little off center.

There was a standing offer for the stamp by a philatelist of London who had tried for years to induce Signor to part with it, but the bent little man prized and loved the stamp even more, when he knew how much the other man across the waters wanted to have it.

Out of sheer perversity, he occasionally wrote to London to find out whether James Bolton would not offer a bigger price. With each increase the other offered, he grew in Signor's estimation. But to part with the "Bahama" was another question!

And suddenly, through some other philatelist, Signor learned that there existed in Mexico City, another "Bahama," just like his own. At first he pretended that he did not believe the report. He was so sure that the one he had was unique!

But little by little the suspicion of such possibility wormed itself into him and undermined his confidence. He looked at the stamp, questioningly as one would on the corpse of a dead woman, whose faithfulness was just impugned, but there was no answer.

A few days later, unable to live in doubt, Signor was en route to Mexico City.

After manoeuvering for a week he found out that Don Garaye had once possessed such a stamp, but had sold it to a house in Lisbon, Portugal. There was no more impatient man on the boat than the Signor.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Visitor—The most recent visitor postally by way of airplane arrived from Toledo, with the pass-port postmarked as follows: "Air Mail Service, Jul. 4, 11 A. M., 1919, Toledo, Ohio." Mr. F. B. McGown sends us "Greetings from Toledo on the first Air Mail trip."

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Views—From a source favorable to the union of Northern Epirus to Greece, we have received some particulars as to conditions in Epirus to-day. It was March 1, 1914, that Epirus declared its independence, a few days after William of Wied accepted the Albanian throne. Of the 200,000 inhabitants of Northern Epirus, 120,000 are said to be Christians and 80,000 Moslems; and it is maintained that the Greek influence is easily dominant. We quote: "The fact that the boys and girls are sent by their parents to learn Greek rather than Albanian and to study Greek history instead of Albanian is an irrefutable proof of the will of the Christian Epirotes to be Greeks and to be united with Greece."

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Vindicated—A subscriber says: "I like to read the discussions on questions of philatelic moment as they are a sauce for the solid meat of the stamps. You used to tell of the different types of old-fashioned collector and I want to ask what has become of the o. f. c. who collected in a secret, mysterious way in order never to be known as identified with philately. I was one of the sort who collected on the sly, as it were, and I look back on this phase of my collecting career with amusement. Latterly, sanity reigns with me and instead of slinking along the back roads with my album, so to say, I travel down the main street. I do not hesitate to avow myself a stamp collector when opportunity allows me to proclaim the good news and I am ready to smile defiance at the scoffer. Virtue has its own reward and recently I made a charming philatelic acquaintance by this course, in the person of a business confrere who has a fine collection."

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Varied—Several correspondents who have called attention to mistakes in the assignment of cuts in the catalogue and whose letters were referred to the publishers are advised that corrections have been given in the errata of the 1919 edition; and we have been informed to that effect.

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Various—We have been favored again by Mr. Lowell J. Ragatz: "I notice that a reader advocates the rubbing of mint O. G.'s across the hair lightly so that the gum may become covered by a thin and invisible film of oil and thus be kept from sticking to the page in cases when atmospheric conditions are such that the relative humidity is high. This method may bring results but I am sure that it would go against the grain of most collectors to employ it. Personally. I have found that a little talcum powder rubbed onto the gum side of unused stamps will prevent them from adhering to the pages under the most trying circumstances. By-the-way, did you know that censorship on A. E. F. mail came to an end on June 19th? A friend in the local post office says that he saw the departmental order. According to newspaper reports a New York bank lost $63,000 when an airplane was burned at Cleveland. It seems that the bank's mail was not intended for aerial despatch but was transferred at Cleveland to airplane for Chicago. This is an expensive method of popularizing the air mail but further reports may be of interest."

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Valuable—From Mr. C. F. Richards, New York City, we have received the following testimony: "I read the remarks of a correspondent relative to the resistance of a safe to damage by fire of stamp contents; and perhaps the following lines from a large San Francisco dealer regarding his experience in the awful conflagration there may be of interest: 'One might say that it was extremely careless to leave rare stamps where they could be destroyed but in this connection I wish to say that we had a safe in our office that weighed more than seven tons and was guaranteed by the manufacturers to protect its contents against fire. The very hot fire caused the bricks as well as the safe to become pretty close to red hot. After the safe was buried three weeks almost, we secured a permit to have it uncovered. Two days afterwards, the safe was opened and the contents burst into flames but no particular damage was done as all of the stamps had been ruined by having been done brown by the intense heat. I saw a number of safes opened about this time, not one of which that was exposed to a really hot fire, similar to ours, protected the contents.' Each one may draw his own conclusions. Mine are that a safe is a vain thing for safety."

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Victorious—In the foregoing paragraph, a somewhat sinister picture is given of the ability of the safe to protect the stamps and other papers in it from the effects of intense heat but we have several accounts that seem to prove that modern safes escape the test of fire unscathed as to contents. From a reader who knows his subject, we have received a remarkable story of "testing" safes before they are installed for use. One test is a straight heat duration test and the other a combination of heat, dropping, impact and then more heat, simulating actual fire conditions." The tale of the test is so gruelling that not having space to relate it in detail, we can only sympathize with the safe, which, assuredly, is treated "rough". One might place reliance upon the inviolacy of the contents of an engineer's "checked" safe, we should think; and obviously such a mechanical marvel would be a great dampener of an ordinary fire's ambition.

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Voice—We have received a few more letters about the present prices on the choicer United States stamps but they do not call for special comment. They are mentioned as indicative of the deep interest that is felt in our issues and it is not our wish to prolong the discussion that our original paragraph provoked. Recently, a large number of priced auction catalogues of sales dating from 1885 onwards have been examined with an idea of following the trend of prices on U. S. stamps. It becomes apparent from a study of the auction prices that there has been a steady advance in auction prices during the past thirty-five years, ignoring the big advance in the early nineties when for the first time a consistent demand for United States was experienced. In the sale of the great collection of E. Harrison Sanford, in New York, in April, 1886, a penmarked Brattleboro brought $145; the 30 cent, 1869, shield reversed, realized $35 and the prices were considered very fair at the time but they prove that the demand for the thirty cent, inverted shield, was almost negligible at the time. When the call for good U. S. became sustained, prices reflected this firmness and when as at present, there is an inquiry beyond all precedent for the issues, the basis for the present strong prices is found.

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—W. H. W., Jr.—We are glad that your claim against the Pittsburgh party has been settled so satisfactorily. You fail, however, to mention his name in your letter.

—W. H. Dodge, who has recently taken advertising space in our columns, informs us that he has just opened a new store in Los Angeles in addition to the one in Pasadena. He comments upon the large mailing list that we have in these two cities and we can only add that outside of Chicago and New York there is no area where stamp collecting has a stronger hold than in these two fine cities in southern California.

—No attention was paid to a recent News Gleaning request. We will try again. Will the subscriber living in Cambridge, who on June 13 made a remittance to this office, please inform us of his name and address? To make certain that we get the correct party please indicate the amount of the remittance.

—It is the intention of C. E. Severn, editor of the WEEKLY, to attend the A. P. S. convention at St. Louis. If you wish to place your proxy in his hands it will be properly taken care of. We have heard from P. M. Wolsieffer that he will attend in company with Mrs. Wolsieffer and we shall start a convention list as soon as other names are reported to us.

—J. E. Handshaw, the veteran dealer, in the *Metropolitan Philatelist* claims that the 3c envelope on amber, said to be printed in black instead of purple, is not what its friends claim it to be. He says:—"If examined closely with a glass it will be found to be a very dark purple and not really black."

—The British dirigible which has just made the trip across the Atlantic, dropped some mailbags as it journeyed over Newfoundland. These will no doubt be heard from in due season.

—Jos. A. Steinmetz, president of the Penn Aero Club, has just been elected president of the Engineer's Club of Philadelphia. The firm of Janney, Steinmetz & Co. is a prominent factor in the steel and iron business.

—Maitland Milliken, contributing some notes to the *Philatelic West,* acquaints us with the death of Daniel Y. Dodd which occurred some months ago. He was a shut-in, a young cripple who had taken a great delight in stamp collecting. Mr. Milliken says: "He found great comfort and solace in his stamp collecting pursuits" and a number of WEEKLY subscribers gladly extended a helping hand.

—The word is spelled RAROTONGA and not RARATONGA. We are not the only ones who made the mistake. Even the *Australian Stamp Journal* has this to say:—"We thought a mistake had been made, but on consulting the British Admiralty Guide Book the correct spelling was found to be with the O."

—A Grenada subscriber has sent us a copy of the *West Indian* dated June 6. In the deliberations of the Legislative Council we notice that a measure has been put through repealing the war tax on postage. It was explained that "it would not be right to give the United States an advantage in one direction while we were penalizing other islands under the postal Surtax Ordinance".

—A new Gibbons catalog may shortly be expected. It is being looked forward to with a great deal of keen anticipation.

—The London Stamp Club, in which F. Hugh Vallancey is a leading factor, is now a reality and rooms have been opened on Farringdon St., Ludgate Circus. There is every indication that the venture will prove a success. In this connection we may add that the Royal Philatelic Society is also seeking a permanent home of a similar character.

—It will come as a surprise to many to know that the business of the J. W. Scott Co., including the *Metropolitan Philatelist,* is on the market. Mr. Handshaw, who purchased the business but a short while ago, has been in poor health recently and desires to take a well-earned rest. The store at 36 John St. is so much of a philatelic landmark that there will be little difficulty in disposing of the business. We learn that Mr. Handshaw has just undergone two surgical operations at the Swedish Hospital in Brooklyn and we congratulate him upon his recovery.

—A. G. McA.—We do not know of any issue of stamps in 1905 that commemorated the exposition in question. Possibly you have in mind the Alaska-Yukon Exposition held at Seattle in 1909, for which we had the 2c Seward stamp.

—A. A. Hyde, Sherman, Texas, can get no replies to letters sent Harold Davis, alias Oak Stamp Co., Dallas, Tex., or Frank Yoakum, 2927 Francis Av., Los Angeles, Cal.

—Homer D. Rose feels that a raise in our subscription price would be O. K. but wonders what the effect of increases has been with *Red Book, Good Housekeeping* and other magazines. One can make a safe guess.

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Find out if he has sold any of the current documentaries surcharged "NARCOTIC" with a rubber hand-stamp; how many different hand-stamps he used; (probably there was only one), what colors of ink he used; and what denominations were over-printed, with the color used on each if he can remember.

If he will favor you with an impression of his hand-stamp on a clean piece of paper just let him know that you'll be tickled to death to have it, but don't ask him to put it on any stamps and don't ask him to sell you any "Narcotic" stamps because that is against the law and you don't want to get him nor yourself into trouble.

Have a piece of paper and a pencil in your pocket and write down what he tells you at the time so you won't forget it. Then write me a nice letter giving all the facts you have obtained and send the impression of the stamp. Then I'll take my coat off and get to work compiling a list that will be some list, friends, BELIEVE ME!

If you want the impression back just say so and if another good fellow has been ahead of you and got the whole story, don't make the clerk tired but say "thank you" just the same and leave him with a smile.

Do your part and I'll do mine and when the list is compiled it won't be hid under a bushel but will be published for the benefit of every collector in America—and some outside.

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UNITED STATES.—One of the most interesting items that we have seen for sometime, in the way of a new variety, has just been shown us by Mr. Wendell Harmon. He has located the 1c green surface print upon unwatermarked paper, with one row of vertical perforations missing between the stamps. This gives us horizontal pairs perforate between and perforated 11 on other sides. These are clearly part-perforates for there is not the slightest trace of the perforating wheel to be seen. The missing perforations are lacking between the 9th and 10th vertical rows of stamps, for in the block we have had the pleasure of inspecting, there is a straight edge at the right.

1919 Surface Print, Unwatermarked, Perf. 11.
1c dull green, horizontal pair, imperforate between.

In further reference to the recent compounds, we note that a certain dealer is offering them perforated "10x11". In the interest of accuracy and to forestall more letters upon the subject, your editor would advise that such varieties are not known. All that have been found to date are perforated "11x10". Should the Bureau later on issue in sheet form some of the stamps from the endwise coil plates then we are likely to have the 10x11.

It will have been noticed that there has been a great difference between the prices asked for these varieties, between those who had them first and those who later obtained them. This is due to the fact that when the first supply arrived in New York they were sold out almost before being discovered and consequently the few owners of the first supply felt confident that they had something comparing favorably with the former compounds. Later, however, a second supply was received with the result that supplies were obtained by many.

Mr. Albert C. Reukauff submits for our inspection a very unusual provisional issue of the Playing Card stamp. We have the well known 2c blue roulette and watermarked stamp surcharged in red with a large "8c" followed by "R. P. C. Co.—4-1-'19", the above appearing in three vertical rows of surcharge. The stamp, however, had previously been surcharged in small red letters "8 Cts."

Mr. William A. Sisson has shown us a very unusual oddity, resembling a shinplaster of old. It is dated 1838, is about the size of the old twenty-five cents note, and we find within a fancy border "Benton Post Office—Due the Bearer—Five Cents—Payable in Postage." We judge these were used by the postmaster to make small change but we would welcome further details from those familiar with these old notes.

Messrs. C. C. Donaldson and Fred E. Prohaska as well as the Cleveland Stamp Company have sent us notes of interest for which we express our thanks.

ABYSSINIA.—The Ethiopian Government is issuing a new set of postage stamps of the following denominations: ⅛, ¼, ½, 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 12 guerches, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10 thalers or dollars.—*Whitfield King's Monthly List.*

AUSTRALIA.—We are advised by Mr. J. H. Smyth that the 3d stamp is now being issued surface printed.

BELGIUM.—Messrs. Bright & Son advise that they have official information from the Director of Posts at Brussels that the Belgium stamps overprinted with the letter "T" which have been chronicled in some of the Philatelic papers were not officially issued; this was done in a few cases by the Post Office Employees with a hand-stamp for their own convenience, we therefore do not consider these stamps worthy of Catalogue rank.

BOLIVIA.—An entire new pictorial series has been placed on sale in this Republic, the values, colours, and subjects being stated to be as follows:—

1 centavo, green (Ruins of Thiahuacu).
2c red (Cathedral at Thiahuacu).
5c light brown (Ruins of Thiahuacu).
10c violet (Bay Indijena Titicaca).
20c orange (Lake Titicaca).
50c blue (Guaqui and La Paz railroad).
1 boliviano carmine (Ruins of Thiahuacu).
2bol blue (Port of Guaqui).
5bol black (Coat of Arms).

We list these on authority of the *Revista Filatelica* but we cannot quite reconcile the chronicle with some of the pictorial stamps actually received. The subject of the 2c is, we believe, Lake Titicaca, and not the one shown in the chronicle.

We are also not at present aware as to whether the above are already obsolete; presumably they are, for Mr. Theodore Champion informs us that the undermentioned set has just been issued in an uniform design, reproducing the Arms of the Republic. The numbers given below are the totals printed of the respective values:—

1c rose,	1,450,000	20c blue,	500,000
5c green,	1,500,000	22c sky-blue,	1,000,000
10c red,	1,500,000	24c violet,	1,000,000
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GREAT BRITAIN.—(*Offices in Levant*).—In consequence of the re-opening of the British Post Offices in Constantinople and Smyrna recently, it seems probable that something in the nature of a special issue of postage stamps for the use of these agencies may be forthcoming in the near future. Developments in this quarter will be closely followed by Levant specialists and others interested in the fascinating stamp issues of the Near East.—*West End Philatelist.*

ITALY.—(*Offices in China*).—A definite issue of overprinted Italian stamps for the use of these offices is now being prepared by L'Officina de Carta Valori, Turin.—*West End Philatelist.*

JAMAICA.—A sheet of the current 3d "War Stamp" has been found with the surcharge inverted.—*Whitfield King's Monthly Circular.*

MOSUL.—From an official source we have now received the figures of the Mosul provisionals overprinted "I. E. F. 'D.'":—

½ anna,	650.000	3 annas,	65.000
1 anna,	245.000	4 annas,	85.000
2½ annas,	130,000	8 annas.	45,000

—*West End Philatelist.*

POLAND.—Messrs. Bright & Son chronicle the Cracow Issue 15 & 25f overprinted "Porto" in a frame.

PORTUGUESE COLONIES.—The current fiscal stamps of 1c, 4c. and 5c have been overprinted "Taxa de Guerra" (War Tax), and issued for postal use. There is only this one issue for all the colonies except in the case of Portuguese India, Macao and Timor, which have to be provided with separate sets owing to the difference of currency.—*Whitfield King & Co's Monthly List.*

RHINELAND OCCUPATION.—Whilst the prospect of a British special issue of postage stamps for the occupied Rhine provinces is as remote as ever, the Belgian Government is said to have decided upon the preparation of a series of occupation stamps for circulation in the Belgian zone of administration.—*West End Philatelist.*

RAROTONGA.—We are advised by Mr. J. H. Smyth that the stock of the 3d has been exhausted and it is expected that the next printing will be on the surface printed 3d stamp of Australia.

RUSSIA—(*Offices in Levant*).—The resuscitated stamps of the Russian Levant post offices, overprinted with the significant initials of the Russian Company of Navigation and Trade, viz.: "R. (Russkoie)" "O (Obshtchestwo)" "P (Parschodstwa)" i "T (Torgowli)," were re-issued in this form under authority of the Ukraine Government for use upon correspondence conveyed by the company's vessels between the ports of the Black Sea.—*West End Philatelist.*

UKRANIN.—Mr. Fred E. Prohaska sends for our inspection a stamp from this country. It is printed on white paper with a frame of O and within are the words "Lietuvos pastasi sk. 30 sk." in three lines.

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THE LITTLE MAN OF 28th STREET

(Continued from page 239)

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He had sized up his customer and knew that sooner or later the little man would open his wallet and pay.

Meanwhile Signor starved himself to death. When he had finally decided to pay the price to Raspiegli he had just enough left to carry him home on the next boat.

That last night in the attic room overlooking the Tiber was one of great suffering. He cried. He tore his hair. He bit his nails.

But early morning found him at the door of Raspiegli, money in hand.

"It is all I possess Maestro Raspiegli," he muttered.

"Which shows you are a real philatelist," the Italian answered suavely as he counted the money.

From the deepest recess of the safe he brought out the little square of carmine paper. Signor looked at it again. No doubt it was in a better state of preservation than his own, but he felt no warmth, no intimacy, no kinship with it.

"You will probably yet make a profit on it," Raspiegli disturbed the old man's contemplation.

"A profit! A profit! I did not buy it to make a profit. I only wanted that my own Bahama should be the only one of its kind."

As he spoke he lit a match and before Raspiegli had time to interfere, the ashes of the other "Bahama" mixed with the dust on the floor.

For Signor things had to be unique or nothing.—*N. Y. World.*

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We have a new and somewhat modest advertiser with us by the name of T. Allen, whose announcements will be found regularly on page 3. The casual reader cannot decide whether Mr. Allen's name be Thomas or Timothy, but this much we can affirm, that he has an excellent name with the stamp trade in England and moreover his advertising copy was accompanied by a cash payment covering thirteen weeks' use of the WEEKLY. This means that Mr. Allen is going to try out our publication and quite naturally we want his experiment to be successful. In writing him, save time by sending the finest reference you can muster.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

A PHILATELIC DICTIONARY.

By B. W. H. POOLE.

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—C. Reitter, Box 1054, Detroit, Mich., would like to know the present addresses of Frank Hart, Greenridge, S. I., N. Y., and A. Held, 2061 Mance St., Montreal. Mail is returned marked "removed".

—We are indebted to F. B. McGown for a cover bearing a 6c aeroplane stamp with postal marking indicating aerial service between Toledo and Chicago, July 4. A purple cancelling ink was used and within the circular canceller is the inscription:—"Airmail Service — Toledo, Ohio" with date July 4, 1919, 11 A. M. A clipping is sent us by Mr. McGown taken from the Toledo *Blade* of July 1 describing the arrangements for the accommodation of the fliers.

—J. A. M., Jr.—The stamps referred to by you do not have a sufficient postal standing to merit being catalogued. The Australian stamps perforated with the letters O. S. are as you say bona fide. Under Luxemburg where perforated official stamps have been in use, Scott says, "We no longer list stamps of this character."

—W. J. Long, 5136 Catherine St., Phila., Pa., reports that he is unable to secure satisfactory returns from Burton Hoffman, Nevada, Mo.

—We have received a short article entitled, "The Condition Crank," by E. D. Swartout. Mr. Swartout opposes the disposition upon the part of collectors to be over-particular as regards condition of stamps and believes that something should be done to meet this "feverish condition."

—A correspondent in the Richmond, Va., *Times-Despatch* wants to know what the Bolshevists in Russia are going to do for the portrait of a public man with which to adorn their stamps. He adds:—"No engraver would ever be able to get all of Trotzky's whiskers on a postage stamp."

—We are informed that Elliott Perry has purchased the Luff collection of Sanitary Fair stamps. Mr. Perry is engaged in writing a booklet manuscript on these stamps and the WEEKLY will have the privilege of profiting by Mr. Perry's study.

—M. Herbert, the president of the New York Philatelic Society, desires that Kenneth J. Smith shall communicate with him in care of Lazard Bros., Bankers, 19 Nassau St., N. Y. City. Mr. Herbert says he has not received any letter from Mr. Smith and will be glad to straighten out any misunderstanding that may have arisen between him and the secretary, Mr. Weiss.

—E. A. St. Clair, Kansas City, Kans., sends us a distinctive cancellation that is being used in Denver, Colo. There is an insert in the canceller in four lines, reading:—"Be Careful—With Fire—In the—Mountains".

—We have received from Jos. A. Steinmetz the Dutch Indies 22½c 1908 issue surcharged in large figures in black with new value 17½. The numerals are very large, covering a considerable portion of the circle containing the picture of the Queen. Our new issue editor is away on a vacation and we take a chance in listing this as something new. It will be noted that the 22½c stamp used is not of the issue of 1912-14 but the previous supposedly obsolete issue of 1908.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from Harry Griffin, Raymond B. House, W. R. Cline, Kenneth Tallmadge.

—W. M. Boggs.—The *Philatelic West* has been sailing over troubled waters, but a number just at hand is dated April-May. In the opening editorial, the publisher expresses deep regret at the irregularity with which the paper has been issued, but a return to normal conditions is anticipated in the very near future.

—A young man of seventeen desires a situation in the office of some stamp company. Can translate Spanish and French. G. A. Bradlio y Martin, 211 S. King St., Xenia, O.

—The Midland Stamp Co. is unable to secure any replies to letters sent to L. J. Miller, furniture dealer, Orange, Texas.

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BY CHRISTOPHER WEST.

Probably most collectors of the private die revenues will agree that the "R. C. & W." match stamps is the handsomest of those engraved by the Bureau. Not that the design or the workmanship is so much better than any other of the Bureau stamps, but simply because of its brilliant and striking color—a carmine lake much like the color of the 6c Newfoundland postage stamp of the 1890-95 series. The color is so effective that we overlook much in the stamp no real artist could pardon.

For instance, what could be more incongruous or absurd than to group American flags around a shield a la the beautiful 30c 1869—but a shield vastly too large, and then to surmount this enormous shield with an eagle, if it really is an eagle, that looks no bigger than a full-grown sparrow and seems to be in imminent danger of falling from his precarious perch atop the gigantic shield? If the bird is an eagle, it must be a very young one, not steady on his legs nor accustomed to his wings and one is puzzled to decide which is the more ridiculous, the undergrown eaglet on the big shield or the overgrown shield under the tiny eaglet! As an artistic triumph, this stamp is a joke; and yet, where is the collector who has not welcomed it to his collection with joy!

The firm was composed of Nehemiah C. Ryder, Charles M. Crouse and Michael J. Welch and the place of business was East Water St., corner of University Avenue, Syracuse, New York. Mr. Ryder is not the Ryder of the Excelsior Match Co. of Syracuse.

The stamp is a horizontal rectangle of the standard 1c size bearing the numeral "1" in each corner. It cannot be mistaken for a medicine or perfumery stamp because at the left it reads "MATCH" and at the right "STAMP", the letters being placed under each other instead of side by side. In many respects it suggests the stamp of the Trenton Match Co. which preceded it by a few months. No date of the approval of the die is given in the Boston Book which states:—

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The designation of the four different dies corresponds with those of the 2c with which they agree in every detail, except the two numerals. Surely a task for a real collector it would be to attempt to get together a complete set of these envelopes entire, but those desiring them only cut square or collecting only dies and papers will be well repaid for their efforts.

A review of the issue which has treated us to three of the most interesting U. S. color errors will not fail in interesting features.

The chronicle of this 3c as corrected to date shows 117 envelopes, if we consider dies, sizes, paper, watermark and knife. Those who collect cut square only can reduce the list to just 20 and still include two dies on white paper First Quality.

There are to begin with the four dies, all easily distinguished most readily as follows:

Die A:—Large head and D S far apart.
Die E:—Small head. D S near. T S near at base.
Die F:—Small head, hair in "bumps" instead of strands. T S further apart at bottom.
Die H:—Clear cut lettering, especially, the O in POSTAGE. Ear shows distinctly.

Die A is by far the most common and embraces 54 out of the 117 envelopes, including the rare error with stamp in black on amber. This die is found on all sizes in which the 3c exists, namely 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13 and 14. Only one window envelope has been seen so far size 13 on buff. It seems safe to say that between 70 and 80% of all 3c envelopes printed are die A.

Die E exists only on sizes 5 and 13, of which the first is quite common and the latter decidedly rare, our firm having been unable to secure any stock at all. The rare errors in red are all Die E. They have been found only on white and blue paper, though it is claimed that the amber and buff were probably also printed. Of each of the above only one box was ever discovered. Both are window envelopes with the usual return request in upper corner and appeared alternating with the regular 2c. The white paper was found in New York and the entire lot of 250 errors was saved and distributed among 8 concerns. The one on blue paper bears return request: Blue Ribbon Garage, Waterbury, Conn. Some of these were used before the error was discovered. The total supply, including 3 used copies, was 120 to which 20 more were added as being subsequently discovered, therefore 140 in all. All window envelopes size 5 and Die E. Including the errors, papers and watermarks nine are now known. For some reason watermark 20 is very rarely found "window". In all Die E numbers 20 envelopes.

Die F appears only on sizes 8 and 13 and is quite rare with watermark 20. It has been listed on size 5, but latest investigations seem to prove this to be an error. 21 envelopes including six "windows" are known, but half of them are very rare and this will be the most difficult of the four dies to complete.

Die H exists on sizes 5, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 13. It includes three "extra quality" on white and all are what are known as "high back" envelopes. These are shapes (or knives) in which the bottom flap is broad at top and the sides do not meet. A total of 22 envelopes are known with this die and most of those on white and amber are not scarce. It comes on blue (size 7) and is rare. Quite recently a used copy, same size, was found on buff, and this may turn out to be one of the rarities of the series. No unused copy has been seen so far. Window envelopes Die H are not known.

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HERE AND THERE.

—The Belmont Stamp Co. as will be noticed by the firm's advertising in this issue has made a temporary change in address. Instead of being at Philadelphia the firm is now located at Ocean Grove, N. J., for the summer months.

—Henry F. Romain of Wahjamega, Mich., can get no replies to letters addressed to the Eureka Stamp Co., Stroudsburg, Pa. This company is run by the notorious John Obert.

—We note that some of the Ukraine stamps have values expressed in schagiw and krivna. What subscriber will help us out? We are fast approaching the time when our Dictionary will be closed up and we are very desirious of including just as many as possible of the terms that have been created as a result of the changed conditions in Europe.

—The Lithuania "bread ticket" stamps are an interesting issue, and constitute another example of the paper shortage prevailing in the old Russian districts. We now have "map" stamps, "bread ticket," and "writing paper" adhesives. Being distinctive and a novelty in philately, there is always bound to be a good general demand for these philatelic curios. They will all appreciate in value in due course. It is now up to Poland to provide us with the next sensation in stamp paper.—*Stamp Collecting.*

—Who can give us a translation of the inscription "I Polska Wystawa Marek" found on the current stamps of Poland?

—Still another cancellation is reported from Colorado. The latest reads in six lines:—"Vacation—Outdoors—In—Colorado's—National—Forests."

—The *New York Sun* for July 9 printed an article in which it stated that:—"The Bolshevik monetary system is probably the most spectacular financial experiment in history, and there is at present a neck and neck race between the printing presses and the decreasing value of the ruble." It has this to say in connection with the use of postage stamps:—

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—We have received a clipping from a Philadelphia paper showing an illustration of a letter mailed by Joseph A. Steinmetz and carried across the Atlantic by Capt. Alcock in his Vickers-Vimy plane. The letter was addressed to Mr. Steinmetz in care of F. J. Melville. The 15c Newfoundland was used with the $1 overprint to which reference has been made in the WEEKLY.

—Mr. Alph Bossey, Victoriaville, Quebec, desires that any complaints against his son, L. P. Bossey, be sent to him and he will see that they are adjusted.

—Mrs. E. W. Oughtred can secure no replies to letters sent S. P. Hughes, Howe, Neb. Can anyone render assistance?

—The P. O. at Boise, Idaho, has recently used this cancellation:—"Home Coming Celebration Boise July 3-4-5 1919".

—The catalog gives no price for the Eddy match stamp. Mr. Perry informs us that in some manner the price of this stamp got left out in the compilation of the catalog some few years ago and the catalog makers have not taken the trouble to re-value it. A good copy is worth 25c.

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MISTAKEN FOR AN ANARCHIST.

A Washington correspondent, H. B. M., relates an incident of more than ordinary interest that happened recently. As a local philatelist who is a candidate for A. P. S. honors was approaching the entrance to the Senate Chamber the suspicions of the guards were aroused by a brown paper parcel which our friend, whom we will call Mr. H., carried in his hand. Having been requested to leave the same with the door-keeper, Mr. H. politely but firmly declined. An examination of the package was immediately demanded and while two watchmen stood ready with uplifted buckets to dash water on the contents, a third untied the string and found a—circuit of A. P. S. books. After mutual apologies and explanations Mr. H., wearing his bland smile, was allowed to enter the gallery, while the Senate, unmindful of the startling event, continued vigorously to legislate.

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By CHRISTOPHER WEST.

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The Boston Book states:—

Die approved, March 15, 1866.
First issued, April, 1866.
Last issued, July, 1869.
210 stamps per sheet, (14 x 15).
13,302,500 issued in black on old paper.

Regarding the blue stamp:—

First issued, July, 1869.
Last issued, Aug., 1875.
10,981,190 issued on old paper.
31,541,102 issued on silk paper.

Also, "John Loehr came into possession of this die in June, 1866, and received stamps from it from that time on."

The portrait shown in the central oval on the stamp may be either Cramer or Kemp or neither of them. The writer has not been able to find out. It is a rather unusual portrait for a match stamp—Cramer, or Kemp, or whoever it is not having any beard. Instances of this kind are rare among the M & M stamps. The design is in the form of an upright rectangle of the usual 1c size and it is too overdone to rank with the most beautiful M & M. It sort of gives one the impression of being all mixed up. "U. S." appears three times, which is twice more than was necessary, and in addition we can find "CRAMER & KEMP" and "NEW YORK" and "EXCELSIOR MATCHES" and other inscriptions. However, there is only one numeral—"1".

All of the blue stamps and most of the black stamps were used by John Loehr. The blue stamp occurs on thin, medium and thick old paper, experimental silk and full silk, and on old paper in the true ultramarine. It is one of the easiest ultramarines to obtain and often comes in the most violet and most attractive tint of any of the ultramarine match stamps. Placed beside a good Cramer & Kemp many other true ultramarines look only dull or pale blue. Probably the scarcest variety of the Cramer & Kemp is the printing of 1870 in light blue on thick paper.

JOHN LOEHR.

John Loehr first appears in the New York directory for 1863-'64. His occupation is given as "matches". From 1865 to 1883 he appears off and on, sometimes being engaged in the beer or liquor business and at other times in the match business. The house address and business address are both given as 427 W. 54th St. After 1878 the match business address is always 427 W. 54th St. and the house address and beer business address is next door at No. 425. He is last listed as being in the match business in the directory for 1875-'76 but as late as 1895 the reference "John Loehr, liquors, 425 W. 54th St." appears.

Regarding his stamp the Boston Book states:—

Die approved, Oct. 16, 1875.
First issued, Oct., 1875.
Last issued, Dec., 1875.
2,040,245 issued in blue on silk paper.

John Loehr's stamp is exactly like the Cramer & Kemp except that the name is changed. It was printed only by the National Bank Note Co. Many copies have the appearance of being printed from a worn plate which is difficult to explain in view of the small number issued.

JOSEPH LOEHR.

Joseph Loehr first appears in the New York directory for 1876-'77. He is listed as being in the liquor business at 425 W. 54th St. which has a familiar sound. From 1877 to 1880 he lived at No. 425 W. 54th St. and was engaged in the match business next door at No. 427. Between 1883 and 1890 he was in the beer business again as a brewer. The odd circumstance about this family mix-up is that the years Joseph Loehr appears in the directory John Loehr is missing and the years John is listed Joseph is elsewhere. It is a pretty puzzle and perhaps the reader can solve it. The writer gives up.

Of Joseph Loehr's stamp the Boston Book states:—

Die approved, Jan. 18, 1876.
First issued, Feb., 1876.
Last issued, Dec. 13, 1880.
44,868,120 issued on silk, pink and watermarked paper.

This stamp is exactly like John Loehr's except that the name is changed. All those issued on silk and pink paper were printed by the National Bank Note Co. The stamps on watermarked paper were printed by the National and the American Bank Note Co.'s, with the possibility of a comparatively small printing by the Bureau. Probably there were two or three National plates and one or two American plates, but whether or not there was a Bureau plate it is impossible to determine yet. No stamps showing the Bureau characteristics have been noted.

A PRACTICAL METHOD OF BINDING.

By JOSEPH R. LONG.

Having been a subscriber to this paper for a number of years I have accumulated a large number of old issues to which I frequently have occasion to refer. It would be practically impossible to do this satisfactorily, however, without binding the paper in some way. I have hit upon a very simple, yet perfectly satisfactory, way of doing this which I pass on to others. I punch four holes at intervals in the left margin of the paper and fasten together as many issues as desired by passing brass fasteners through these holes. For this purpose I use the ordinary round headed brass fastener with the two flexible prongs. Those with prongs about one inch in length are a good size. The issues of the WEEKLY for six months make a volume about one-half inch in thickness.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Daubs—The remarks about stamps that were blotted out of existence by the postal clerks, in the issue of July 5th, have borne fruit in the receipt of a number of conglomerates that have wholly lost their color identity. In each instance, the stamp or stamps submitted was of a common kind, showing that the deluge of ink was the result of accident rather than design. Miss Amy L. Swift has sent a specimen that is literally blotted out of existence and concerning it she says: "In all my philatelic days, I have never seen its equal for unnecessary thoroughness and utter lack of conservation in the ink line." It is when a good stamp is the victim of the ink-pad that the collector cries out in anguish.

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Decided—Having noticed several instances of seeming divergence in the treatment of mail from Americans abroad, we received the following explanation from the authorities: "All persons having official connection with the American Expeditionary Forces do not use stamps on any of their mail, except on personal packages and on registered letters; all others, of whom there are few, comparatively, come under the postal regulations."

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Dearth—Several inquiries have been received from dealers asking if we could assist in securing help for them. As a preference usually is expressed for assistants who have had some stamp experience, we cannot be of service to the dealers as the local demand in a large city for employees of the kind exceeds the supply. Cannily enough, we suggest that the short-handed dealers try our advertising columns. If philately was better known publicly for what it is, a permanent institution founded on the solid rock of fact, we should start a correspondence school for training the young people for "lucrative positions." The salaries for dependent, intelligent young men and women with some philatelic training are, or should be, generous; and we know of several instances where ambitious young folks in the course of a few years were receiving pay that was more than that received by those in some general line of work.

Drastic—The following communication has been received from Mr. Charles H. Garrett, Kalamazoo, Michigan: "The enclosed letter may be of interest to you and the stamp collectors of the country. I have been trying to get next to the situation regarding the certain revenue stamps. The Commissioner is blocking the game now. Action for relief is necessary and I am willing to do my bit and get some remedial measure started." The letter that is enclosed was sent by Daniel C. Roper, Commissioner, to United States Senator Truman H. Newberry, Michigan: "Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of June 2nd, 1919, enclosing a letter addressed to you by Mr. Charles H. Garrett, of Kalamazoo, Michigan, in which he asks whether it is possible to obtain revenue stamps for his stamp collection. In reply your attention is called to Section 3324 R. S., which requiries that stamps be completely effaced and obliterated from empty spirit packages, which provision of law has also been held applicable to wine stamps. You are further advised that Collectors of Internal Revenue have been instructed to sell wine stamps only to proprietors of bonded wineries or bonded storerooms who actually use such stamps, in order that revenue officers might be in a position to readily check up the sale of stamps to bonded premises, and so that the records of the Collector's office will agree with those of the proprietor of the bonded premises. From the above you will note that stamp collectors may not obtain canceled or uncanceled wine stamps for the reasons stated."

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Defense—The foregoing decision is a harsh one from the collecting view-point and it rescinds privileges that heretofore were allowed tacitly. At one time, it was practically admitted by the authorities that while the collecting of tax paids, for instance, was not encouraged, by any means, yet their inclusion in a collection was not considered a menace. The new era of prohibition may have some bearing on this later edict but we shall not attempt to follow the circumlocutory course of the official mind. A circumstance of this kind brings home a realization of the necessity for our national organizations to constitute themselves the guardians of philatelic rights and repel aggressions against the full and free enjoyment of our pursuit. The protective committees should be alert to champion philatelic rights; and they could speak with voice of authority as they represent the sentiment of several thousand members at the outset. These committees duly appointed by the societies would have discretionary powers and they could accept or reject measures after consideration. As it is, the organizations do not take action except at conventions, but an advisory or ways and means committee could move with alacrity. Occasionally, the demand for instantaneous action is imperative and with several such committees scanning the horizon, impending storms might be avoided.

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Differences—It is apparent that a lack of understanding of collecting motives on the part of Washington imposes limitations, at times, on collecting. For a long time before 1898, when the newspaper set was sold to the public, collectors coveted the stamps, not because they were supposed to be almost contraband in unused condition in collecting hands, but because they were stamps and therefore objects of collection. As for unused due stamps, they are not supposed to be in collections, but that they do come to the surface is known. The government says that it wants each postage due stamp to actually rate postage deficiency, as one of the reasons for the issue of the stamps is a control over money collected as postage due. We cannot see how the check could be an absolute one and at any event the government is the gainer, if more postage due or beverage stamps are sold than used. We know that philately is entering more and more into the ken of the post office department since the discovery by Mr. E. B. Sterling of the counterfeit beer stamp about forty years ago, thereby saving the Treasury Department many dollars, but collecting's importance will have to be greatly emphasized before it will not be brushed aside for more weighty considerations.

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Distant—A correspondent who in connection with his business has occasion to touch at different of the British West Indian ports, says that the prices on war issues in the place of origin of the stamps are so well established and understood that the speculator from afar cannot hope to make quantity purchases advantageously. As travelers have often remarked, philatelic knowledge in far-away countries is more general than at home, as a rule. We may say again that the patron of new issues has reason to feel that investments in war stamps have been good ones.

U. S. VIRGIN IDS. JAN. 1917 ISSUE.

By HERMANN FOCKE.

I venture to assume that the stamps of the former Danish West Indies, now the U. S. Virgin Islands, should be of special interest to U. S. collectors, and as the Standard Catalogue for 1920 should now be nearing completion, it would be interesting to know what prices are to be assigned to the used stamps of the 1915-17 issue, particularly to the six values of 10, 15, 20, 30, 40 and 50 bit, which appeared in January, 1917.

As is generally known, only 500 copies of each of these were despatched from Copenhagen to St. Thomas, and sold to the public up to the time when the Islands were transferred,—March 31, 1917—and of these probably not more than 50 copies of each—if that many— did postal, or near postal, service. It's also known that these stamps, used as well as unused, commanded fabulous prices early in that year, a set of the latter having brought at auction $27.50 while a used set brought as much as $35.00 at that time, until the Danish Postal Authorities made use of the sunshine to harvest the remainders in the "bins" of the collectors, by disposing of them at 6 Kroner ($1.50) a set, thus bringing about a collapse of the market.

Since then the market value has been stationary at about $2.00 and even at that collectors have been keeping shy of the pretty stamps, and rightly so, in view of the procedure of the D. P. A.

Still the fact remains that the entire set of 8 values constitutes a legitimate postal issue, and while the unused set may be of a purely fictitious value, since there is no distinction between the stamps sold at St. Thomas, and the other D. W. I. Post Offices, and those sold at Copenhagen, the few stamps actually used constitute, without doubt, an issue of interest and great rarity.

It is to be assumed that the greater part of the used stamps were "cancelled to order" and although this is obnoxious to a good many collectors, in the present case it is a proof that they belong to the "genuine 500" and therefore should command a corresponding value.

I suspect that some of the used stamps are put away for the time being because they have no value, and as quite a few collectors would like to acquire them, it might be well to give them a catalogue price, and why not take the price of sale on record as a basis and quote them at $6.00 each? This would certainly be cheap enough, and could be applied to the off-center copies, of which there are a good many and give the choice copies the value which the "condition-crank" is willing to pay for them.

I have some of the stamps on the original covers, but as these are not for sale, my suggestions bear no selfish purpose, but are meant for those who would like to know their relative value. The expression of other collectors' opinions will be welcome, and is, in fact, invited.

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Mr. Ernest Harmer has hammered away something like 400,000 lots of stamps, rare and otherwise, at over 1000 stamp sales held by the well-known firm of Harmer, Rooke & Co. That is a wonderful record, and the announcement of the firm's 1100th sale recently led us to extract a few details and reminiscences from the man in the rostrum.

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Mr. Harmer may fairly assert that his is the only firm of stamp auctioneers that has achieved a record of 1020 stamp auctions in fourteen years, and they are justly entitled to their claim to be the world's leading stamp auctioneers.

A dip into their 1106th sale catalogue shows a total of 1056 lots, including the "lot of lots," a 1d Post Office Mauritius, of which only a bare dozen of copies are known to philatelists. What will it fetch? I should not be surprised if there is a "sweep" in the room on the price it will realise.

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MR. E. G. HARMER.

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Of course, the firm is not exclusively engaged in auctioning scarce stamps. They have made quite a speciality of auction sales of wholesale lots of stamps, which invariably draw together into the sale room representatives of famous firms whose names have been familiar as household words in the mouths of generations of school boys.

It is a curious but significant coincidence that the auction rendezvous at 69 Fleet Street is the very birthplace of the postage stamp, for it was on this very site that the old firm of Perkins, Bacon & Co. engraved and printed the Queen of Stamps, the Penny Black of 1840. In many of Messrs. Harmer, Rooke's advertisements they have illustrated a view of the old premises as they were in 1840.

REASONABLE.

With reference to recent remarks in your columns from Prof. Clark, and a correspondent in the Canal Zone relative to dealers' neglect to reply to their letters, I have been vainly waiting for some dealer to tell these gentlemen the plain truth, which is, that their business is not considered sufficiently remunerative to bother with.

In one case only used blocks of four are wanted, and unless the dealer has a high priced one, or a good many low priced ones, on which a satisfactory profit can be made, the prospect is insufficiently alluring to prove tempting. In the other case the time required to obtain the return of approval selections makes the business uninviting unless one is assured of a large remittance. Then too, there is the question of damage to o. g. stamps through the moisture of the Tropics. This is intended as an explanation of the dealers' failure to respond—not as an excuse. There *can* be no excuse to habitual failure to send a reply to letters inviting same.

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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Messrs. H. F. Colman, William A. Sisson and Albert J. Moore have all called our attention to the current $1 stamp, unwatermarked, perforated 11, in a new shade of what might be called yellowish violet brown. When compared with the normal the difference is striking. This stamp could almost be classed as more than a shade variety and the fact that the numerous specimens shown us have come from different parts of the country lead us to believe that at least one whole printing was of this hue.

Mr. George Soulman sends for our inspection two lower right panes of the 1c surface print, unwatermarked perforated 11, from plate number 9511. While the stamps came from the same run and were found in the same lot, one is in a very dark deep green, printed so heavily that it almost seems double, while the other is in such a light, washed-out shade that it appears to have been printed from an uninked roller.

Further oddities in the same stamp are to be found on the upper left pane of sheet 10049. Mr. Harmon Wendell sends us the upper and left plate blocks wherein the second "0" is so indistinct that it is to be seen only upon close inspection, the numbering seeming to read "10 49". It is indeed a coincidence that such an odd peculiarity should occur in the identical place on two different plate positions. A long chapter indeed was brought to an end when the Bureau of Engraving and Printing discontinued the printing of postage stamps by the surface method.

Dr. George H. Smith, Mr. N. E. Carter and others have written us regarding the Documentary stamps surcharged by rubber stamp "F. D." mentioned in our chronicle of June 28th. These provisional "Future Delivery" revenues were quite likely all surcharged from one central point, for I find upon inspecting a number of copies sent me from different cities that the surcharge is identical. Each city made its provisionals "Narcotic" stamps quite recently but perhaps in the case of the "F. D." surcharges they were all overprinted at Washington.

Mr. L. J. Ragatz shows us the 2c blue playing cards, rouletted, watermarked U. S. I. R. surcharged in red "8 Cts." The stamp is cancelled in black "4-1-1919—U. S. P. C. Co." These 8c provisionals were probably issued to use up the old type playing card stamps, pending the arrival of the new "Class A" variety.

Some firms, however, received the new type before the 8c rate went into effect for Mr. H. F. Metz has just sent us a copy of this latter stamp with purple inverted surcharge reading "3-4-1919—7 CENTS—S. P. C. Co."

Your editor has recently been fortunate in locating a most unusual early United States cover, vintage of 1857. The cover in question bears a very fine vertical pair of the 30c orange with red bar cancellation in addition to a circular town cancellation, falling part on the stamps and part on cover, reading "New York Paid—Apr 14—48". The envelope is addressed to Lyon, France, where it arrived according to postmark on the back, May 8, 1861. The stamps are well centered, of brilliant color and in perfection condition in every way. A 60c rate in those days was of rare occurrence.

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ABYSSINIA.—So long ago as August 1 1917, we foreshadowed an entirely ne postal series for this country. Appar ently very considerable difficulty ha been experienced in producing this ne Ethiopian set, for only now is it ma terializing. According to Continenta correspondents, the series comprises fif teen values, viz:—

½	guerche, lilac and brown (Antelope).
½g	blue-green and black (Giraffes).
1g	scarlet and olive (Leopard).
1g	purple and slate (Heir to Throne?).
2g	blue and lake (Heir to Throne?).
4g	green and orange (Heir to Throne?).
6g	bright-red and blue (Church).
8g	green and black (Rhinoceros).
12g	violet and grey (Ostriches).
$1	rose and black (Elephant).
$2	black and brown (Buffalo).
$3	green and red-brown (Lion).
$4	brown and mauve (Empress Zeonditon)
$5	carmine and grey (Empress Zeonditon)
$10	green and yellow (Empress Zeonditon)

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No.	Date.	Net
219	1890-93, 1c blue	.04
220	2c carmine	.07
221	3c purple	.12
222	4c dark brown	.18
224	6c claret	.35
225	8c dull violet	.25
227	15c indigo	.40
228	30c black	.80
229	90c orange	1.60
230	1893, 1c deep blue	.04
230a	1c light blue	.04
231	2c violet	.05
231a	2c gray violet	.05
232	3c green	.08
232	Another shade	.08
233	4c ultramarine	.10
233	4c blue	5.00
234	5c chocolate	.15
234a	5c brown	.15
235	6c purple*	.12
236	8c magenta*	.18
237	10c blk.-brown	.22
237a	10c gray-black	.22
238	15c dark green	.40
239	30c orange-br.	.75
239	30c brown-orange	.75
240	50c blue-black	.90
243	$3 green	5.00
268	1895, 3c purple	.10
272	8c puce	.30
274	15c dark blue	.60
276	$1 black	2.00
277	$2 bright-blue	4.00
279	1898-99, 1c green	.04
280b	4c orange-brown	.30
281	5c blue	.15
282b	6c claret	.40
284	15c olive	.50
285	1898, 1c green	.04
286	2c copper-red	.07
287	4c orange	.25
288a	5c bright-blue	.35
289	8c dull violet	.40
290	10c violet-gray	.40
291	50c sage-green	1.50
294	1901, 1c green and black*	.03
295	2c carmine and black*	.05
296	4c brown and black	.12
297	5c blue and black	.15
298	8c violet and black	.20
299	10c brown and black	.25
300	1902-03, 1c green	.03
301	2c carmine*	.30
302	3c bright purple	.10
302a	3c deep purple	.10
303	4c brown	.25
303a	4c orange-brown	.25
303b	4c red-brown	.25
304	5c dark blue*	.25
304a	5c dull blue	.40

No.	Date.	Net
304	5c bright blue	.25
305	6c claret	.40
305a	6c lake*	.40
305	6c terra-cotta*	.40
306	8c violet-blk.*	.20
306a	8c gray-lilac	.25
307	10c red-brown	.25
308	13c purple-blk.*	.25
308a	13c brown-violet*	.40
308	13c brown-black	.25
309	15c olive*	.35
314b	1903, 2c red*	.15
314e	2c carmine†	.15
315	1904, 1c green*	.04
316	2c carmine	.10
317	3c violet*	.12
318	5c blue*	.25
319	10c brown*	.40
320	1907, 1c green*	.03
321	2c carmine*	.05
322	5c blue*	.12
323	1908-09, 1c green*	.04
323a	1c green†	.04
323b	1c green*	.20
324	2c carmine*	.06
324a	2c carmine†	.06
324b	2c carmine	.25
324c	2c carmine‡	.20
	line pair	.40
	paste pair	.40
	line four	1.00
	paste four	1.00
325	3c violet*	.07
326	4c or.-brown*	.08
326a	4c brown†	.12
	coil pair‡	.25
327	5c blue	.12
327c	5c blue	.20
329	8c olive*	.18
330	10c yellow*	.28
331	13c blue-green*	.25
335	1909, 2c carmine	.04
	block four	.24
335a	2c carmine†	.06
335b	2c carmine*	.30
336	2c carmine*	.04
337	2c carmine*	.04
338	1910, 1c green*	.06
338c	1c green (soiled)	.15
	line pair	1.00
338d	1c green‡	.05
	line pair	.20
	line four	.30
	paste four	.30
338e	1c green	.05
	pair	.10
339	2c carmine	.04
	block four	.19
339e	2c carmine	.10
	pair	.20

No.	Date.	Net
340	3c violet	.10
340c	3c violet‡	.10
	line pair	.40
	paste four	.60
341a	4c brown line pr.	.60
342	5c blue	.12
343	6c orange	.20
347	1912-15, 1c green*	.03
348	2c carmine*	.05
355	1912, 1c green	.02
355a	1c green‡	.03
355c	1c green	.07
	paste pair	.14
	paste four	.28
356	2c carmine	.05
	block four	.19
356a	2c carmine‡	.12
	coil pair	.50
	coil line four	2.00
356b	2c carmine	.10
	pair	.20
	line pair	.40
356c	2c carmine	.10
	line pair	.40
356s	2c Schermack	.10
	line pair	.20
360	10c yellow*	.25
364	30c vermilion*	.60
365	50c lavender*	1.00
369	1914-15, 1c green*	.02
369c	1c green	.03
	pair	.06
370	2c carmine*	.05
370a	2c rose*	.05
370b	2c rose-red*	.05
370c	2c red*	.05
370e	2c carmine‡	.08
	line pair	.35
	paste pair	.35
	line four	.50
	paste four	.50
370f	2c carmine line pair	.35
371	3c violet	.40
372a	4c brown‡	.17
	line pair	.90
	paste pair	.60
	line four	.75
	paste four	.80
373	5c blue*	.12
373b	5c blue‡	.17
	line pair	.44
	line four	.90
377	9c salmon pink	.25
	block four	.90
378	10c yellow*	.20
379	11c dark green*	.25
380	12c maroon*	.30
380	12c light maroon*	.30
382	15c gray*	.35
383	20c ultramarine	.60

No.	Date.	Net
388	1915, 2c rose	.4
389	1916-17, 1c green*	.1
389b	1c green‡	.0
	line four	.3
390	2c rose*	.0
390a	2c rose†	.0
390b	2c bright rose‡	.0
	line four	.2
391a	3c violet†	.0
392	4c brown*	.1
397	8c olive*	.3
399	10c yellow	.4
400	11c dark green	.4
	block of four	1.5
401	12c light maroon*	.4
403	20c ultramarine*	.7
404	30c vermilion*	25.0
406	$1 violet-black*	2.0
409	1917, 1c green*	.0
410	2c rose*	.0
411	3c violet	.1
411c	3c violet*	.1
411d	3c violet†	.0
411f	3c light violet (R.P.)‡	.0
	line pair	.2
	line four	.3
412	4c yellow-brown*	.0
413	5c dark blue*	.1
414	5c rose error. Two in block of twelve stamps. These are off-center	5.0
416	7c black*	.1
417	8c olive*	.1
417	8c bistre-olive*	.1
418	9c salmon-pink*	.1
419	10c yellow-orange*	.1
421	12c lake*	.2
422	13c light yel.-gr.*	.2
423	15c gray*	.2
424	20c ultramarine*	.3
429	2c carmine	3.0
431	1918, 3c dull violet I*	.1
431	3c dark violet II*	.1
431	3c pale violet II*	.1
	The last two items are off center.	
431	3c bright violet II*	.0
	double print*	.2
431b	3c bright violet II†	.0
432	21c carm. and blue*	.5
433	16c green*	.3
437	6c orange*	.1
438	1c green*	.0
438a	1c green†	.0
439	1919, 3c violet	.0
439	3c deep violet	.0
439	3c red-violet	.5
440	1c 11x10 (R.P.)*	.0
441	2c 11x10 (R.P.)*	.1
442	3c blue-violet* 11x10 (R.P.)	.1
442	3c light-violet 11x10 (R.P.)	.1

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BERMUDA.—The Lindum Stamp Company show us the 1d "WAR TAX" with a thick dot between the letters "W" and "A" of the first word.—*Stamp Collecting.*

BAHAMAS.—We learn from the *Colonial Journal* that the 2½d and 6d values have been printed from the combined Plates Nos. 1 and 2; also that a new issue of the ½d, 1d, and 1s, King George design, and the 3d "Queen's Staircase," overprinted WAR TAX in two lines, is in course of preparation.—*Stamp Collecting.*

Mr. Erich Parche has shown us a copy of the current 1d WAR TAX stamp in shade more to the pink than heretofore. He also advises us that he has received the new 3sh with inverted watermark.

CHINA.—We are informed by S. S. Wang Chin Chai that he has found a double overprint of the four Chinese characters on No. 120 of the issue of 1912. He writes us that this is the first he has ever seen and that it is a scarce error.

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INDIA.—A new value—1½anna—arrived in our Indian mail last week. It is in the current King George portrait type, the words "one and a half anna" being on a curved band below the portrait, with "India Postage" in a semicircular band above the King's crown, and "1½a" in the two top corners of the stamp. This new arrival is in maroon. —*Stamp Collecting.*

IRAQ.—We learn on good authority that a definite postage stamp issue for this territory is in course of manufacture, in a design reminiscent of those of the Hedjaz stamps. This is, of course, a concession to the religious scruples of the Mohammedan natives, as the Koran prohibits the reproduction in art of any animate object.—*West End Philatelist.*

LIVONIA.—We have received from C. G. Dietrich three stamps commemorating the liberation and freedom of Riga. There are three values, 5 kap red, 15 kap dark green and 35 kap brown. The stamps are poorly executed. The design shows in the background the outline of the city, while in the foreground are two female figures, one resting her head upon the shoulder of the other.

LOURENCO MARQUES.—Messrs. Whitfield King & Co. inform us that, in a large consignment of these stamps recently received, they discovered one sheet of the ½ centavo (black) containing a singular error, one stamp only on the sheet—the first in the sixth row—having the value entirely omitted, both the tablets being wholly blank, without a trace of ink on them. All the other ninety-nine stamps on the sheet are quite normal, and only one sheet contained this error.—*Stamp Collecting.*

POLAND ON GERMAN WARSAW.—Messrs. Bright & Son chronicle the following values handstamped in blue "Polska Poczta Lyczca": 2½, 10, 15, 20, 30f.

POLAND.—From an authoritative source we understand that the several issues of postage stamps now current in different parts of Poland will be shortly superseded by a single general issue in standardized (gold?) currency.—*West End Philatelist.*

RUSSIA.—In our April issue we described the new 35 and 70 kopecs stamps as a Bolshevik issue, but an esteemed and well-informed Russian correspondent has taken exception to our description, and sends us the following interesting information, which we have no hesitation in accepting as correct. The two stamps referred to were the work of the Russian artist, Saaren, who designed the Romanoff stamps, and were done by order of M. Nikitin, Minister of Posts and and Telegraphs in Kerenski's last Cabinet. The two stamps were issued two months before the fall of Kerenski, and were only part of a complete set for which designs were made, but the other values were not printed because the Bolsheviks abolished the use of postage stamps altogether, and allowed all letters to be sent post free without stamps. The Bolsheviks had nothing to do with either the production or the issue of these stamps.—*Whitfield King's Monthly List.*

SERVIA.—Prof. M. Loewy shows three values in a new series of stamps recently issued by this country. Each stamp contains the profile of the King and Crown Prince and are of the 10, 15 and 25p values. The colors are red, dark brown and blue respectively.

UKRAINE.—Messrs. Bright & Son advise us that a new series of stamps for this country has appeared and they are of the following values: 3, 5, 6, 10, 12, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 60, 80, 90h, 1kr. The stamps (current issue of Austria) have been surcharged in black. Messrs. Bright & Son send us a copy of the 10h and the surcharge has the "3." in the upper left corner and the "Y." in the upper right. At the bottom is "H" at the left, and "P." at the right. An insignia is also in the centre of the stamp.

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If one should look for about the smallest possession of Great Britain as well as about the most important, he would very quickly find the object of his search at the Rock of Gibraltar. As one of the "Pillars of Hercules," the other being at Ceuta on the African side of the Straits of Gibraltar, it stood as the limit of the maritime activities of the ancients, for beyond was the unknown and limitless ocean whose terrors they dared not brave. It was here, after the fall of the Roman Empire, that the Moors crossed from Africa into Spain and threatened Western Europe. They held it for many centuries, but were finally dispossessed by the Spaniards in 1462, who lost it to the British in 1704, since when it has remained under the Union Jack.

Although hardly two square miles in area and with a population of about 30,000, it is a Crown Colony. British stamps were employed there before the local stamps were issued, and can be distinguished by the cancellation lettered "G" or numbered "A26." The local stamps were not issued until January 1, 1886, and then were evidently decided upon in such a hurry that they were made provisionally instead of being especially prepared—in other words, they took a supply of stamps printed from the Bermuda plates and overprinted them with the heading GIBRALTAR, although in doing this some of the values were printed in altered colors from the regular Bermuda issues.

During the year 1886 special plates were prepared for a permanent issue, which appeared in December. The most used values, ½, 1 and 2½ penny, each had a special design, but the remaining values were printed from a "key plate" which had blanks for inserting the denomination by means of a second printing from a "duty plate."

These first two issues were expressed in English currency, but the currency used mostly in local trade was quite naturally Spanish and the authorities finally decided to conform to local conditions. Accordingly, in July, 1889, the current stamps were overprinted with new values in "centimos," the lower values corresponding to the English currency at 5 centimos to the half penny, except for the 2 pence stamp. Of the highest value, 75 centimos, but 12,400 were surcharged and of the 40 and 50 centimos only some 14,000 odd of each. The 25 centimos surcharge on both stamps contains two minor varieties in the shape of defective letters, namely, a broken N and a short I in CENTIMOS. Two varieties of the figure 5 can also be found on the values containing this figure, one having a much more open "body" than the common form of the figure.

The permanent series was ready and issued in November, 1889. All values were now printed from the "key plate" used for the higher values of the December, 1886, issue, and two "peseta" values were added. The 25, 40, 50 and 75 centimos stamps were not issued until early in 1890. In 1895 the 75 centimos and 1 and 5 pesetas stamps were withdrawn from issue; a new 1 peseta stamp with value in blue was issued together with a bi-colored 2 peseta stamp and a 20 centimos in single color. The most interesting stamp of Gibraltar occurs in

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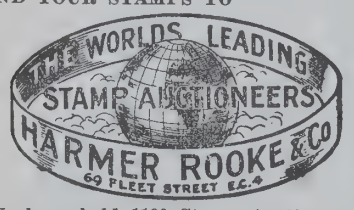

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this issue, it being an error of the 10 centimos stamp with the value label blank. It very evidently occurred through the omission of the printing in of the value from the duty plate, which means that at least one sheet of 120 copies occurred thus. They were regularly bought from stock at Gibraltar, but so far as known, none of them was used. Although without value, the color, of course, gives a clue to what was intended to be printed in the value tablet.

In 1898 the effect of the Spanish-American war was such in depreciating the Spanish currency that the Gibraltar authorities deemed it best to revert to sterling values for the stamp issues. Accordingly a notice dated September 14th announced the proposed issue of new stamps in British currency on October 1st and the retirement of the stamps expressed in Spanish currency on that date. The new stamps were simply a re-issue of the December, 1886, issue, the ½, 1 and 2½ penny stamps, being hard to distinguish from their predecessors unless one can differentiate between dull green and gray green for the ½ penny, rose and carmine for the 1 penny, and ultramarine and bright ultramarine for the 2½ penny. The other values being bicolored in the new issue, present no difficulties.

The death of Queen Victoria and accession of King Edward naturally presaged a change in the design of the Gibraltar stamps, which finally occurred on April 30, 1903, when the current issue was withdrawn and the new issue placed on sale. An entirely new design was used and the stamps were bicolored, some being on colored papers. The same low values were issued, with the exception of the 4 pence, and four high values in an enlarged and handsome design were added because of the combined "Postage and Revenue" use for the stamps. The watermark was the usual "Crown CA" at first, but in 1904 new supplies began to appear on the newly adopted "multiple Crown CA" watermarked paper and all the values finally appeared thus except the 8 shilling value. With the "multiple watermark" paper also came the experimental "chalk-surfaced" paper for preventing the cleaning of used stamps. All the values on "multiple watermark" paper eventually appeared on both "ordinary" and "chalky" papers except the 2½ pence, 4 shillings and 1 pound, which were issued only on "chalky" paper. A minor variety occurs in the 2½ penny stamp, on all papers, in which the "2" of the fraction is distinctly larger than the ordinary. It occurs but once in a pane of 60 stamps.

In 1907 the Crown Agents devised another scheme of standardizing the colors used for stamps of the same value throughout the Colonial issues, no matter what the denominations in local currency. This "Universal Color Scheme" caused a change in the colors of practically all of the Gibraltar stamps. The ½, 1, 2 and 2½ penny stamps were printed only on "ordinary" paper in the new colors and the 6 pence, 1, 2, 4 and 8 shillings only on "chalky" paper. The "large 2 in half" variety is also found in this issue, showing that the same "duty" plate was still in use. Much controversy has raged over the issue of the 6 pence stamp, the only difference between the "universal" color and the previous one being that the value is printed in a brighter mauve than the latter. The "multiple chalky" 6 pence lasted for use until just before the issue of the King George set; because of this a very small supply had been printed in the "universal" color (only 1440, it is said), and these were issued in July, 1912, on the eve of the King George series. About half the issue was sold over the counter according to reports, which accounts for its scarcity. All the remainder of the Edwardian stamps were burned after the issue of the Georgian series.

The death of King Edward and accession of King George presaged the last change in the Gibraltar stamps, a change which affected only the monarch's head, the design, colors, paper and watermark remaining as before. Slight shade changes occurred in three stamps, the ½ penny changing from blue green to pale yellow green in 1917, the 1 penny from carmine to scarlet in 1916, and the 2 shillings having both ink and paper brightened about the end of 1916.

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It is interesting to know that, the coming season, philatelic literature is to have prominent place in auction catalogues, as addenda to the listing of stamps. This is perhaps a better way than to try to conduct a sale made up wholly of the literature of our hobby. One far-western dealer, with whom I have business relations and also friendship of more than passing note, writes me that in the past he has sold philatelic literature in his auctions, to the satisfaction of his clients. It is the satisfied client who decides whether the results are worthy of the time and labor, aside from the pleasure of garnering the stray leaves of our literature.

Delving among some ancient papers, today, I came across two copies of a four-page circular, issued by Messrs. J. W. Palmer & Co., Adelphi House, 76 Strand, London. The date is January, 1878. In it, the firm says it has "the pleasure of handing to their several collectors a list of Canadian Fiscal Stamps, many of them little known as yet in this country, and, being really very beautiful, will form a very valuable addition to the Album. The collection of Fiscals is only beginning in Great Britain, but is destined to become very general here, as it has already become on the Continent and in the United States."

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There are, in these United States, some fine collections of philatelic literature. I think Mr. W. R. Ricketts probably has the most complete collection. Mr. H. E. Deats has a magnificent collection, and it would be a rare pleasure to search through his 15,000 duplicates for wants to add to one's own library. Mr. Deats has recently printed for private circulation a complete index to the "Quaker City Philatelist," which enhances greatly the value of that publication. Members of the Philatelic Literature Society, London, have been presented copies, and I have also in addition an inscribed presentation copy amongst my treasures.

The dean of our philatelic writers, Mr. Charles A. Nast, of Denver, Colorado, once dealt in philatelic literature, and also collected the literature of our hobby. I do not see his name in the advertising pages, these latter days. His stock must have been very large, as his knowledge of our literature is very great. Mr. Nast's little history of the philatelic publications of Colorado, issued several years ago, is invaluable to collectors.

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of things has its pains, as well as its pleasures. Neither seems to be a perfect balance!

The reference, in a recent issue of the WEEKLY, to an ancient Scott's album turning up, reminds. Long months ago, a collector friend said he'd send me a Lallier album, to add to my tribal relations,—or words to that effect. Then he didn't write. Occasionally a missive would come from him, in reply to four or seven of mine. Only the other day he wrote delightfully that the Lallier was on the way,—that he'd felt so ashamed of failure to get the album he'd not written more frequently. Isn't that a heart-breaker? If all my philatelic friends and acquaintances did likewise, I'd never receive those warm and heart-cheering letters they send me,—letters of whose value I would not wish them wholly to know.

Books! Long ago, collecting the stamps of Sarawak, and specializing in a modest way, I picked up from an English catalog a volume which told me of the ins and outs of Sarawak, with some good historical data regarding Rajah Brooke. Recently, three volumes of a biographical nature relating to Rowland Hill were brought to my shelves. And here is first-hand information regarding the pioneer of penny postage.

How many collectors know the date of publication of the first item of philatelic literature? It is a lithographed list of stamps, published in Strasbourg, in 1861. It may be described as follows:

Berger-Levrault (Francois Goerge Oscar): List of Stamps, Strasbourg, Septembre, 1861, 8vo., 10¼ in., 12 pp. Printed by autographic lithography.

Of this great rarity, only two copies are known. One is in the Lord Crawford collection, now in the British Museum. The other,—and it is an honor and a pleasure to chronicle the fact,—now reposes in the library of Mr. Howard Speakman, of Chicago. This excessively rare "item" came to him through Victor Marsh, the well-known London dealer, who, it may be chronicled, has the largest stock of philatelic literature in the world. Among Mr. Marsh's big purchases are the Moen's stock, weighing two tons; J. Van Rooij, two tons; Eaton library, 1500 pounds of bound volumes; Palmer stock, 1200 pounds; Heide library, 600 pounds. And these are only a few! I do not estimate my own small holdings by weight,—but my back knows full well the penalty one pays for collecting!

The collector may care to know the commercial value of the Berger-Levrault list. It would be cheap at $100. Perhaps another copy may turn up in an attic or other philatelic dust-bin. If so, there is a ready market for it.

The demise of that fine publication, *The Philatelic Record*, has been incentive to collectors to complete their files. The publication has not been rare, in a way, but it will be daily more difficult to complete files where odd issues are wanted. My own file is regrettably very incomplete, and I am always promising myself the pleasure of adding to it. There is a Spanish word used extensively along the border by Americans,—*manana*. It means tomorrow. The rest is silence!

If the *London Philatelist* ceases publication, there will be a rush for files. This scholarly publication finds the cost of existence too great, seemingly, and it is feared the end is at hand. However, until the last year or so the issues have been numerous enough to cause no anxiety. The world war, however, curtailed the number of copies printed, and he who is discerning will act accordingly.

I am under many obligations to the editor of the WEEKLY for favors and suggestions. His latest most excellent advice is embodied in one of those rare missives he knows so well how to indite. He says:

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To this I replied at once. It was Dream-Come-True! And, may I not add further, in the words with which Maurice De Guerin closed his immortal journal,—

"The tide of travel is full of charm. . . . Oh, who will set me afloat upon this Nile?"

EL PASO, TEXAS.

COMMUNICATIONS.

TO THE EDITOR:—

The following information is what I received in regards to the Panama stamps, Scott's No. 213 surcharged into No. 389, and No. 197 into No. 477.

On the 31st day of March, 1917, the Panama Gov't sent 640,000 stamps, No. 213, to the American Bank Note Co., in a very dirty condition. They were stuck together in sheets to be surcharged in RED, the same as No. 389 which were in use up to the present time.

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The above described stamps were placed in use the 1st day of June, and as far as I could learn the following described errors were found. Two sheets with Inverted Surcharge, and one sheet with the surcharge on top horizontal row omitted, making ten vertical pairs, one 'Without Surcharge.' No typographical errors were found.

At the same time, the Panama Gov't sent 200,000 stamps Scott's No. 197, to be surcharged A. R. in VIOLET (No. 477); all these stamps were surcharged and returned at the same time. They have no gum, and the color of the ink that was used by the A. B. N. Co. is of a lighter shade compared with the ink that was used by the Panama Gov't when it surcharged the stamps that are in use at the present time. No errors were found.

The type that was used by the A. B. N. Co. on the above described stamps is similar to the type that was used by the Panama Gov't.

J. P. COVELESKI.

ANCON, CANAL ZONE.

TO THE EDITOR:—

The WEEKLY of June 28 asked a reason for a Censor postmark on a letter addressed to Lincoln, Illinois, and posted (presumably) in the United States. I have heard of several thus marked, and was told it was merely an accident of some kind. In one case, a soldier abroad was sent stamped and addressed envelopes enclosed in his home letters, his people not understanding that no stamps were necessary on letters sent home by soldiers. In another case a letter became mixed accidentally in among mail a censor was handling, and in the rush it received his "O. K." The impression falling on the postage stamps was another accident. It was liable to fall anywhere.

AMY L. SWIFT.

WHITMAN, MASS.

THE STANDARD MATCH COMPANY.

By CHRISTOPHER WEST.

In attempting to gather information regarding the proprietors of the old M. & M. stamps, and their stamps, the writer often meets with unexpected difficulties and sometimes would be entirely at loss to know where to look for the desired facts but for the kind assistance of friends, acquaintances and occasionally, the almost unaccountable occurrences of chance. This feature of the work will be touched upon again later. At the moment the Standard Match Company will furnish an example.

The only address given upon the stamp itself is New York, and a search through the New York directories of the period when the stamp was in use failed to reveal any indication that there ever had been such a concern. Finally, the writer stumbled upon a reference to this company in a business directory for 1883-84 which gave the firm's address as 30 Burling Slip, New York—a most unlikely place for a match factory. Yet, as will be seen, there was such a concern and not only did it use stamps, but it had a factory and made matches though the New York part of it was only a sales office.

In the editorial column of MEKEEL'S WEEKLY for June 27, 1914, we find:—

"Standard Match Company—Sometime ago, Dr. Wm. H. Mitchell, Bayonne, New Jersey, sent us some interesting details of this company, which is represented by one match stamp in the U. S. proprietary revenue section of the catalogue: The Standard Match Company's factory was located in the Constable Hook section of Bayonne, New Jersey; and it was erected and started as an adjunct of the long established sulphur refinery of T. C. and S. C. White. The late Mr. Samuel C. White occupied the somewhat strenuous position of Sunday-School teacher to the writer for a number of years and so the writer was on intimate and confidential terms with him especially just before Christmas. That the name Standard Match Company was chosen may have been due to the fact that the Standard Oil Company had only recently (at that time) established its Bayonne plant, which was a close neighbor to White. The Standard Match Company had only been running about six months when the tax on the manufacturers of matches was repealed. As soon as this news was made public the writer offered double face for the remainders on hand but the stamps had already been forwarded to Washington for redemption by the government. Even at that time very few of the firm's matches were on sale in Bayonne; and the factory fell to the Diamond Match Company who continued it but later a fire destroyed it. The writer in the discharge of his duties as a member of one of the volunteer fire department companies was saved from injury by his heavy leather helmet when several cases of matches ready for shipment slid on him from the floor above."

The stamp is an upright rectangle of the standard 1c size bearing as its most prominent feature an American flag enclosed in a circular disk with THE STANDARD above, MATCH COMPANY below and the figure "1" in an oval on each side. With one exception it was the last match stamp engraved by the Bureau and with all due respect to The Flag it is a most ordinary piece of work. Most of the other Bureau stamps are superior to it and there is not the slightest resemblance between it and the beautiful productions of the Bank Note companies. It is too black, and if you don't get what we mean just lay it beside the flag stamp of the Swift, Courtney & Beecher Co. (S. C. B. C.). The Boston Book does not give the date of approval of the die but states:—

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EDITORIAL.

Extreme—We have received a remarkable letter from one of the philatelic leaders in which he takes to task collectors and dealers alike for their lack of organization due to "an incomprehensible lack of modern spirit that makes philately lag instead of receiving the impetus that enthusiastic co-operation would give." Simmered down to essentials, the critic says that collectors are "inert" and the dealers "selfishly aloof". He asks what have the national societies done to glorify collecting and what are the dealers doing to purge their ranks of objectionable hangers-on. Our captious correspondent goes to an extreme and yields to the spell cast on him by the flow of words at his command. Even so, it is not to be denied that his criticisms are not a reflection of what many philatelists feel in some degree. The organizations that represent the collectors and the one that is maintained by the dealers are doing constructive work. We know that the indications of activity of these societies are not always on the surface and in consequence, the impatient member may have some seeming reason for complaint against their inaction. The dealers are attending to the publicity campaign that is resulting in much good to the pursuit and they are getting after the sharks that follow in the wake of the ship. A beginning has been made and the good work will be prosecuted with increased ardor; and the expectation of the times will be met and that is, the demand for a close organization of any business, profession or cult. Let the coming of the day be hastened when "a store-house of millions of dollars' worth of stamps, left unguarded" is amply protected.

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Conventions—The coming conventions at Saint Louis and San Francisco will afford an opportunity for the adoption of legislation that will redound to the advantage of philately; and it becomes the duty of members to take part in the proceedings in person or by proxy. The suggestions to make the national bodies more effective as a means for the protection of the welfare of philately have been received favorably by different members of the national societies. The disposition of the correspondents is to make the organizations more wieldy as a force for watching the interests of our pursuit. It is admitted that out of a clear sky may come a thunder-bolt to throw consternation into the ranks of collectors; and a means for combatting any aggression against us is advisable. It is imperative that we have a mobile committee capable of adopting on a moment's notice measures to protect our position. While we are organized, in a broad sense, yet our organizations are not elastic enough to repel attack. It is improbable that philately will be discriminated against by the powers because of any unfriendliness that they may have for it, but it is none the less advisable to be able to show a strong front at the beginning of any hostilities. A greater activity on the part of the national stamp organizations is demanded by the developments of the day; and every line of endeavor has its guardians in the shape of press committees, protective bodies and missionary workers. While the good that such committees accomplish sometimes is intangible, yet in the aggregate, they justify their existence. At any rate, the decks are cleared for action at the conventions.

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Questioned—There have been in circulation at different times reports that would account for the existence of the grills of the Continental issue, 1873, and several other experimental asides as due to influence of some sort or other that was brought to bear by some one interested. Hints are given from time to time that collectors should be chary of giving fancy prices for these varieties. The main division of collectors gives little attention to these ornamental varieties and for that reason is not an investor in them. The collectors who pay for such stamps know, usually, just what they are buying. Any damage that is done by the suspected stamps is not great. If it could be announced with authority just which are the goats, if any, among the sheep, the effect would be of benefit, but it is not easy to get the student to say flat-footedly that such and such stamps should be rejected as not being of purely philatelic type. In an advanced circle of students, here and there, they may have a rather good line in the character of the stamps but there is no disposition to give unqualified information on the stamps in question.

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Narcotics—The strip stamps for the payment of the tax on drugs and preparations under the Harrison Narcotic Law, are being distributed, presumably, as they are promised for delivery on July 1st, 1919. There are four sizes of the stamps, which are purple in color and of one cent denomination, measuring: 1½x ½; 2½x⅜; 4x½ and 6x¾ inches. According to Daniel C. Roper, commissioner, one of these strip stamps must "be used by importers, manufacturers, producers or compounders upon each original package of narcotics or preparations, taxable under the Act, the additional tax on such package to be represented by overprinted documentary stamps, placed upon the side or bottom of the package." The overprinted documentary stamps for package use, consisting of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 25 cents and $1, are available and "as soon as they can be designed and printed. strip stamps of the four sizes herein referred to will be furnished in sufficient denominations to take care of packages of the various sizes and render unnecessary the use of overprinted documentary stamps."

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Possibilities—The success of Mr. A. C. Roessler in inducing the department to use special postmarks or cancellations on airplane mail is gratifying and the result shows what energetic, intelligent effort can do. Mr. Roessler had the conviction that his stand was taken reasonably and he pressed his point home. We know that the public officer does not willingly take a position on a theoretical proposition that will antagonize a good number of citizens and a persistent campaign to secure recognition to which collectors are entitled is apt to be effective. It is about time to broach again the subject of illustrations of U. S. stamps and the failures of the past should not deter philatelists from starting another inquiry.

THE RIGHT SPIRIT.

(We have received a letter from M. Ohlman, the New York auctioneer, that has the right ring to it, and we are taking the liberty of giving it space in our columns. In this connection we wish to add that there has never been a year when dealers have held to their advertising campaigns as they have this year. —W. O. W.)

Although I shall not have another sale until after the middle of September and could save my advertising money, I shall nevertheless, although I have nothing to sell, as I am only in the auction line, send you steady adv. copy throughout the summer months, as I realize that it is up to the dealer to support really steady Philatelic publications. So just to take up space, I am advertising for collections, but it would not be amiss to inform your readers that towards the end of September I shall run a splendid 2-night sale containing probably 500 or 600 lots of U. S. (many choicest copies) and some of the rarest War and Occupation stamps, of some values of which there were only 100 to 200 copies issued. —M. OHLMAN.

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

—We are compelled to throw up our hands in the matter of making a chronicle of advertising cancellations. Throughout the west from Denver to the coast various kinds are being employed and we thank William T. Miller and J. C. Schriver for specimens submitted. We cannot attempt to make a regular chronicle of these.

—A subscriber of ours, Reuel W. Smith, noticing our comment on using 2c stamps as remittances, offers the suggestion that some of our subscribers who are in business take off our hands at face value the stamps that accumulate. He writes: "I for one would be glad to take $5 or $10 in stamps occasionally just for the good of the cause." We thank Mr. Smith for his suggestion. Who will follow his example?

—C. F. Richards can get no replies to letters sent Douglas Fowler, Box 670, Sydney, Nova Scotia.

—Charles A. Nast, who recently advertised in the WEEKLY for U. S. 3c vermilion, pays a striking tribute to the scarcity of this stamp in anything like wholesale lots. Here is what Mr. Nast says:—"That stamp must be a very scarce item as I have not had a single lot offered me. It seems unbelievable, but it's true. so if you ever get a chance to buy this stamp be assured that in used condition it is underpriced."

—Our U. S. new issue editor, Philip H. Ward, Jr., formerly general manager and secretary-in-charge of sales and exports of the Chelten Electric Co., has severed his connection with that company and has organized the Ward Electric Co., Inc. Offices are in the Philadelphia Stock Exchange Bldg., Phila., Pa. We congratulate Mr. Ward upon his business success.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from Ted J. Tyrrell and J. Levin.

—Andrew Dempsey sends us specimens of Terre Haute, Ind., dues precancelled in the familiar roller type. The name of city and state occupies two lines printed between horizontal lines 16 mm. apart. We do not make it a practice to chronicle precancels and would urge all of our subscribers who are interested to subscribe to *Bushnell's Magazine*.

—"I have received a letter from the Third Ass't Postmaster General with the information that there will be no change in the dies of envelopes beginning with the new contract July 1, 1919, but instructions have been given to change the date in the watermarks from 1915 to 1919."—J. M. BARTELS.

—Within recent weeks the Marks Stamp Co. has purchased the stocks of no fewer than four New York dealers The Gandenberger, Qualander, Voltz and C. J. Gregory stocks are numbered in the firm's purchases. Mr. E. Marks the proprietor writes:—"These purchases together with our large stock, places us in an exceptionally good position to look after the wants of stamp collectors and dealers during the coming season of 1919."

—Who will give us a literal translation of the inscription "Posta Ukr. N. Rep." found on the stamps of Ukraine, also "Lietuvos Pasto Zeklas" on Lithuania?

—Charles A. Townsend would like a short article in the WEEKLY dealing with U. S. Customs stamps. Can anyone favor us with a readable article dealing with these stamps? They are advertised frequently but little is known about them.

—The current number of the *Paper Mill and Wood Pulp News* contains an article on "The Postage Stamp" by Harold Jay Snyder. We regret that our space does not permit us to reprint it.

—The Elk Stamp Exchange can secure no replies to letters sent W. A. Nuxol, Louisville, Ky.; Conrad Stephenson, Superior, Wis.; Reuben Miles, Chicago, Ill. and Ben Herman, Detroit, Mich. The manager sends us a list of five Brooklyn names but we do not think it worth while to list them. Dealers should beware of approval applicants from certain sections of New York and Brooklyn. If interested, write the Elk Stamp Exchange, St. Marys, Pa.

—A. C. Roessler informs us that Japan issued a Peace set of four values July 1. It's a very handsome set.

—Thomas Letts says that there are just as good authorities for Raratonga as Rarotonga. He has consulted his books of reference.

—In the issue of July 12, George T. Moon, Jr., advertised a Gold Coast shilling No. 45. The number should have been No. 75. The stamp catalogs 40c and Mr. Moon offers it at 15c.

AIRPLANE MAIL TO BE ON A 2c BASIS.

(The following Washington despatch was published in the daily press Saturday, July 19, and it indicates a new P. O. policy as regards air mail. The despatch carries with it its own explanation and no comment is called for excepting that it seems likely that special cancellations will be discarded.—W. O. W.)

WASHINGTON, July 18—Postmaster General Burleson today reduced the postage rate on airplane mail to 2c an ounce, the regular rate for first-class matter, and placed the air mail service on the same footing with all other means of mail transportation.

The effect of the order, Second Assistant Postmaster-General Otto Praeger explained, is to place all first-class mail on the same basis and the question of time in mailing will determine whether or not a letter will go by airplane instead of by train. Letters in transit which fail in train connections will be forwarded by airplane to make up the lost time.

It was stated that there was no guarantee under the new arrangement that a letter would go by airplane, but that persons might go to postoffice stations where airplane mail sacks were made up and request that their letters be put in these sacks.

Special airplane stamps will be abandoned and letters need not be marked "via air post."

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The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Mr. Montgomery Evans, 2nd, sends for our inspection the finest double print or rather shift of the 1c surface print perforated 11, unwatermarked, that we have seen. It is similar to the double print 3c values but to date it seems that the 1c has not been as plentiful as the 3c. The stamp in question was from plate 9247 and was found in a small Pennsylvania town.

Dr. William Evans has submitted to us a copy of the 1c NARCOTIC, Bureau overprint on the 1c Documentary wherein at first glance we are led to believe that the stamp has a second surcharge applied by means of an ink pad. This came from one of the Mulford products and we thought it probably a provisional surcharge, reading, NARCOTIC REVENUE. On closer inspection we are quite positive that this is nothing more than a cancellation. We mention this for a similar variety was mailed us from Texas several weeks back.

In a short paragraph of a recent edition of the WEEKLY, a New York dealer questioned the standing of the 3c black error envelope and stated that it was nothing more than a deep shade of purple. He, no doubt, saw one of the deep shade copies which we mentioned, but he certainly did not see the black envelope for there is positively no doubt that it is black. Copies were submitted to printing experts who stated positively that the ink was black and when the matter was referred to the Post Office Department they explained how it occurred. Their explanation was the one which we gave at the time the envelope was chronicled.

Mr. H. W. Porter reports that one hundred sheets each of the 1, 2 and 3c compound perforated sheets from the rotary press, consisting of 170 subjects were recently placed on sale in Washington. The plate numbers of those which he saw were as follows: 1c, 9463; 2c, 9465, 9466 and 3c, 9143. We still believe that the 4 and 5c will turn up sooner or later and we trust if they fall into the hands of any of our correspondents they will advise us promptly.

ARGENTINE.—Miss Cora H. Fosalba sends us the following:—"The Argentine 1917 series (Nos. 231 to 246) was reissued recently in unwatermarked wove paper. As the stock of unwatermarked paper was exhausted in Buenos Ayres, the "Casa de Moneda" bought 13500 sheets of different kind from Serra Brothers, to print the values of ½, 2 and 5c. This small lot of low values are watermarked with the words SERRA RIVERDALE BOND, four times on each sheet or one to two letters on each stamp. Those ½, 2 and 5c with one or two letters watermarked. will be scarce, because the words SERRA RIVERDALE BOND covers one-tenth of the sheets."

BELGIUM.—Messrs. Bright & Son tell us that they have official advice from the Director of Posts at Brussels to the effect that the Belgian stamps, overprinted with the letter "T" (referred to in last week's *Stamp Collecting* and previously) were not officially issued; this was done in a few cases by the Post Office employees with a hand-stamp for their own convenience. Messrs. Bright, therefore, do not consider these improvised "Dues" worthy of catalogue rank. —*Stamp Collecting.*

BRAZIL.—Miss Cora H. Fosalba advises us:—"On May 11 began the sale of the new official set, with the portrait of the last President Wenceslao Braz in the center, and the value and color are as follows:—10r sepia, 20r violet, 50r green, 100r carmine, 200r blue, 500r orange, 600r chestnut, 1000r bistre, 2000r purple, 5000r emerald green, 10000r vermilion. The old values of 300, 400, 700, 20,000, 50,000, 100,000, 500,000 and 1,000,000 of the official series are suppressed."

CANADA.—It is reported to us that a complete sheet of the 3c Confederation stamp has been found in imperforate condition. It was located in a small office in northern Manitoba. We are indebted to R. F. Robinson for this information.

GUATEMALA.—Our first examples of the new series described in our issue for October 12 last have been kindly submitted by Mr. W. G. Walker, of Southsea. The values, subjects, and colours are as follows (the centres being in black in all cases):—30c, Towers of Inalamerico, red; 60c, Government House, olive-green; 90c, University Building, brown; 3 pesos, Arms, bluish-green. Each stamp is inscribed "U.P.U. 1918", and the numerals of value are on both sides of the view in the case of the 30 and 60 values, at the top in the case of the 90 centavos and on a shield to the left of the Arms in the highest denomination.—*Stamp Collecting.*

HAYTI.—Mr. A. W. Dunning has shown us copies of No. 190 and No. 208 with the added surcharge "1 cts. Gourde" and "2 cts Gourde", respectively.

JUGO-SLAVIA.—Messrs. Bright & Son submit examples of the five "Unpaids"—5, 10, 20 and 50 heller, red on white, and 1 krona, blue on grey—chronicled on authority of Major Lockhart in our issue for May 31, also a further value—5kr blue on grey. These all belong to the Laibach series.

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ROUMANIA.—Prof. M. Loewy has shown us a copy of the 10 bani stamp of the type of No. 375 printed in black.

TURKEY.—Mr. W. A. Sisson has shown us two covers from the Army Post Office at Constantinople with English stamps being used. We have also been shown covers from the same office with British Levant and British stamps also on the same cover.

URUGUAY.—We are indebted to Miss Cora H. Fosalba for the following information:—

"The Uruguayan Government is preparing a new issue, each value with the same center but with different colors and ornaments. The central picture will be the Hill of Montevideo, famous in the history of the country. The picture of the hill was taken through phototelescopic procedure. This set will appear about September.

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BRITISH ERRORS.

By E. BENTLEY WOOD.

The above heading might easily, in the present days of stress, be interpreted to cover the many errors, political, military and domestic, which have been committed since Great Britain entered into the arena of the Great War, but stamp-lovers do not let these mistakes unduly worry them when they betake themselves to the companionship of their albums. They are carried away from the clash of arms and the intrigue of politics to a more serene environment,

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And so it was one day that I began to jot down the philatelic errors of Great Britain which I am now endeavouring to summarize in the following notes.

The two best known errors on the British stamps are the OP, PC instead of CP, PC on the 1½d, pl. 1, of 1870, and the LH, FL instead of LH, HL on the 2½d, pl. 2, of 1875. Neither was corrected and both were out of issue long before the mistake was detected.

Mr. H. G. Ellwell, writing in the *British Philatelist*, suggests that the O in the 1½d was originally a C inadvertently struck upside down, thus ƆO and then in an attempt at correction, the workman turned his punch and re-struck the letter, superimposing C on Ɔ and thus making the O. This novel theory is quite possibly the true solution.

The 2½d error was discovered in America in June, 1893, and was first noted at Somerset House in consequence of a letter from the finder on the 17th of the following October. One wonders how so obvious a mistake could have passed unnoticed for eighteen years; it could hardly escape for eighteen days the eagle eyes of the active philatelist of today.

The corner letters were a source of several other blunders. On pl. 77 of the 1d red, die 1, the A of BA was accidentally omitted. The mistake in this instance was soon noticed and the plate was corrected and re-registered nine months afterwards. A copy of this error recently fetched £11 10s at auction.

Double letters are frequent in the early line-engraved series. It must be remembered that the letters were struck on the plate by hand after the main design had been completed. The workman in some cases appears to have made a light stroke of his punch to test the correct position, and the second, or permanent blow, did not always coincide. Thus we find the varieties called "double letters". These are accidents rather than actual mistakes, but a real error of this nature was perpetrated on pl. 21 when the last stamp of the 11th, 12th and 13th rows were all originally lettered KL and were corrected in the lower two by a second stroke to LL and ML. A similar instance occurred on pl. 39, where the L of LK was originally inserted as P, and there are some others of like character.

The letter s was another source of trouble and was frequently punched in an inverted position (s). Pls. 78, 105 and 107 show every s thus inverted and there are individual instances on other plates.

An unaccountable error is that on pl. 2 of the 1s. which was so numbered on the margin of the sheet but as pl. 1 on the stamps themselves. Pl. 3, of which only the registration sheets appear to have been printed, is similarly marked "2" on the stamps.

A small printing was made in 1867 of the 10d brown, pl. 1, on "emblems" paper instead of "sprays". Wright and Creeke state that this was a printer's error, contrary to instructions, the old paper being at that time superseded by that with the new watermark. Specimens are very rare, only seven copies having been discovered.

A similar error of watermark, but due to a mistake of the official who made out the warrant, occurs on the £1 brown-lilac. In filling up the requisite form for the paper the quantity required was inadvertently entered in the "orb" column instead of the "crown". The consequence was that 80,000 stamps were printed on the wrong paper. It was at first intended to recall these sheets from circulation, but ultimately they were allowed to be sold.

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feeding, provide fifteen different varieties from what may be regarded as normal, but there is an additional error which is even more interesting. Owing, probably, to a damage to the watermark frame, a thistle "bit" was lost and was replaced by a rose; thus we have three roses and a shamrock to the exclusion of the Scottish emblem. A correspondent in *Ewen's Weekly Stamp News* claimed also to have found a similar substitution with three roses and a thistle, on a 6d, pl. 5, but I have never seen this corroborated.

Damage to the "bits" is also responsible for the well-known crown error, which is of an entirely different shape from the normal. This occurs on MA (and reversed ML) on the 1d stars, rose, and on several of the early 1d plate-numbers. The writer recently discovered a similarly shaped crown on TA of the "stars"; this has since been found on TL and inverted on AL. Who will be the first to record it on the AA?

Stamps with reversed watermarks are of course printed on the wrong side of the paper, but for this to happen after the paper was gummed was a comparatively rare occurrence. Owing to the paper of the 6d embossed stamp having been coated with a clear, transparent gum before printing, several sheets appear to have been impressed on the wrong side, a mistake which led to the mucilage being later on tinted as a precaution against its repetiton. There was a story which once went the round of the philatelic press of a man who, on carelessly removing the paper from the back of a copy which happened to be printed "over gum", found his stamp had lost its colour in the wash! The *British Philatelist* also illustrates the 6d, 1856, printed on the gummed side of the paper, and mentions several other of the surface-printed stamps known to exist with this error.

Perforation errors are naturally more often those of omission. The "Cardiff penny", pl. 116, is the best known, but many other imperforate copies exist. Unless these are found with extra wide margins, they are indistinguishable from copies which have been *de*-perforated by accident or design with a pair of scissors.

There is one variety which may be regarded as a perforation error of commission. On certain of the small crown 16 stamps of 1854 the side perfs. are of very large, irregular holes, gauging about five by the acknowledged standard, the explanation of which has never been satisfactorily determined. This only occurs on stamps from the extreme left or right hand sides of the sheet.

Whether the ½d and 1d Georgian, perf. 14, is an error or a variety must, in the absence of authoritative information, be left to the lucky possessor to decide. (This is a very interesting point which our contributor raises, and we are able to state that the ½d, perforated 14, occurred probably in error on the part of the authorities, though intentionally on the part of the printers. The stamps were being produced under great pressure, and to expedite delivery of the completed stamps, authority was obtained *by telephone* to use the Edwardian perforating machines. The permission was apparently given under a misunderstanding, the difference in gauge being overlooked.—EDITOR.) A pair of the ½d, unknowingly "used by one specialist to another", was submitted to auction and was knocked down for £15 10s.

One single tête-bêche error is known, on the plate of the 1d "Draft" fiscal, which was for a time admitted to postal duty. Unless an inverted watermark would identify it, it is very unlikely to be found, for the mistake was afterwards rectified and the plate re-registered.

The official overprints provide a few errors, the inverted GOVT. PARCELS on the 1d lilac being the best known. A similar inversion on the 1s is illustrated in Wright and Creeke's "British Isles", and was for a time inserted in Gibbons, but this has since proved to be a clever forgery.

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The double overprint on the 40 paras British Levant, and the small o on the 80 paras Queen, and King, of the same series, may conveniently be included here.

The embossed envelope dies provide a few interesting examples. Albinos—stamped without colour—are the result of two sheets of paper being placed under the die at once, the lower one, of course, escaping the ink. In this category I have a copy of the 1d Victorian with a double impression, one albino and the second in colour; I have also one postmarked on the back instead of the face which must have been folded wrong side outwards. I was recently shown a most curious freak in the Georgian issue depicting our king as "two faced". The envelope was an albino and the paper had apparently been folded vertically just where the stamp was impressed. When opened out and the envelope made up, the stamp showed the left side of the head in normal relief, and the right side in recess with a face looking in the opposite direction, something similar to the head of Janas with which we are familiar on the cover of the "Nineteenth Century and After". This was a Somerset House printing and had been duly sent through the post.

An error of colour was recently chronicled in which a 1d Georgian envelope was found in green, the colour of the ½d.

In the old dated Victorian Registration stamps the "2" of the month was for a few days inserted inverted (1.7.82) and the die-numbers of the 4d envelope appear to have become mixed, those numbered 1 and 4 being, between the proof state and the actual issue, transposed.

An error on a par with the "colonisation" freak of Newfoundland occurred on some of the early postcards. On the bordered issues, 1870 to 1878, the N of PENSE in the garter round the arms is reversed—N, but was corrected in all later editions.

A grammatical error crept into the Nov. and Dec., 1914, printings of the Field Service Postcards, which reads "Letters follows at first opportunity."

Though not actually stamp errors, there are some mistakes in the postal obliterations which are worth looking for. Stamps overprinted for the Oxford Union Society are often postmarked 613 instead of 603, a slip which was not in long use. Brighton had a cancellation allotted to it of its office number, 132, in a diamond—the London type—but copies of this appear to be scarce; I have only found one example of it. Wrong numbers or types were also used by other towns, but they require a lot of searching for and corroboration by an accompanying date stamp.

It will be seen that quite an extensive collection could be made of British errors alone. Of the 151 1d plate numbers, only four remain undiscovered with inverted watermarks, and there are very few exceptions in the higher values. Certainly it would need a long purse, for one would not care to estimate the value of the 2s brown with inverted watermark, a copy of which graces the album of a well-known specialist, and there are several other items which would probably run into double figures.

After all, my notes only "skim the cream"; there are numerous other minor points which might be construed into errors if any departure from the normal may be so called. Their inclusion in a collection makes for completeness; the knowledge gained by their quest adds zest to further pursuit, and knowledge gained is Philately strengthened.—*Postage Stamp.*

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Quite apart from the fundamental fact that a whole lot more people are buying fine stamps today than were able to buy them five years ago is the equally important fact of increased study of and interest in the stamps we already were familiar with, and the consequently multiplied demand for them.

Type IV of the 1c of 1851 is a particularly good example of this doubly increased demand. For several years a few earnest students of United States stamps have realized that Type IV stamps were printed from the first plate made for the 1c stamps, and that almost all the varieties present in that plate in its original state could be found in the Type IV, plus an interesting variety of recuts and shifts, caused by the re-entering and refurbishing of the old plate. Only within the past year has the idea begun to percolate through to the general collector that Type IV is the designation not only of one stamp but in reality of about 150 readily recognizable varieties of stamps, and a full 200 varieties that can be differentiated by careful study. When that idea did begin to seep through it required only a few weeks to sweep the big markets clean as a whistle. I have seen page after page of a dealer's specialized book absolutely

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One need not go to the extreme of replating the entire 200 stamps to see the desirability of collecting a number of very obvious and interesting varieties. Almost any boy collector should have interest enough in his collection to want to show the chief recuts. Those are, recut outer line at the bottom only; recut outer line at the top only; both label and outer line recut at bottom only; label and outer line at bottom and outer line at top recut; and labels and outer lines top and bottom all recut. Of the two hundred stamps in the plate, I think 39 had only the top outer line recut; 19 had only the outer line at the bottom recut; 6 had two recut lines at the top and one at the bottom; 34 had two lines recut at the bottom and one at the top; while scarcest of all are those showing four recut lines of which, unless memory is playing tricks on me, there are but two. These varieties of recutting are so obvious it seems reasonable to suppose they will be listed in the Standard Catalogs in the not too far distant future; in any event, they will be generally recognized and whatever quotation the catalog gives for Type IV, it will be safe to assume that in ordering from any price list you will be ordering the commonest variety.

There are a number of very clear shifts, or double transfers, to be found in this stamp. The most numerous and plainest show duplication in the lettering of top and bottom labels; next easiest to find are those showing the horizontal lines of the background encroaching on the white frame about the center oval; third, those showing more or less duplication in the ornamental frame. The foregoing are general classifications, but there are four big shifts demanding special notice. Three of these are said to be inverted transfers; that is to say, the stamps were first impressed on the plate upside down and then re-entered right side up, so that traces of the inverted impression still remain on the stamps. These may be identified by a dark line running through the center of the ornament at the upper left corner. There are three of these inverted shifts and I have known $200 paid for a strip showing all of them. Another beautiful shift in the 1c shows the lower label and scroll work repeated about 2 mm. below the stamp.

Any of the easily identified shifts is worth from $5 up in fine condition, while pairs and strips are selling at from $5 to $50 according to the varieties they happen to show.

One thing to be mentioned regarding the stamps from Plate I, whether in the original or the recut state, is that the Type I stamps may easily be passed over for commoner varieties because the scrolls are so faint. If you see a stamp with clear, strong scrolls, more or less as they appear in the reissue, it is fairly safe to say it is not Plate I. Nos. 6, 7 and 8 in Plate I all show the complete or nearly complete scrolls, but the color is usually light and the scrolls are only to be well seen through a glass. If you have some 1c '51's you never have examined under a glass, get right after them and see if you haven't an unsuspected treasure.

Of course all this is very superficial and kindergarten "dope". It will take a very respectable sized volume to cover the details of the 1c of 1851. There were three or four plates, and Heaven knows how many transfer rolls, so the minor or fly-speck varieties run into the hundreds. Dr. Carroll Chase has written some articles on the subject, which one hears he intends to complete, while there are promises of an exhaustive analysis of Plate I in its first and second states by those enthusiasts Messrs. Ashbrook, McDaniels, and Jacobs.

While good cancellations are as interesting on these stamps as on any others, the stamps themselves offer such infinite variety that the postal markings are apt to be a secondary consideration. However, many of the interesting markings seen on the '47 issue are to be found on the 1c 1851, including town and grid cancellations in green, blue, red and black, relatively scarce in the order given. A nice bright red grid makes a pretty cancellation on the blue stamp, but it is far harder to find than on the 5c '47. Red town cancellations are easier to find, though far from being had for the asking. Among the black towns found on these stamps are two that are quite out of the ordinary in that they have no frame; these are Baltimore and Indianapolis. The unframed black Baltimore postmark seems to have been in use only a few months in 1853, and is a comparatively scarce cancellation. Blue was the pet color of both Baltimore and Philadelphia postoffices for many years, but both tried black for a time during the life of the '51 issue; Baltimore also used a dark blue-green for a short time, but soon abandoned it in favor of blue. On covers the 1c '51 is frequently found used as a carrier in combination with other stamps, such as a 3c and a 1c on ordinary letters, or a 10c and 1c on California covers. Railroad cancellations are at considerable premium, though not so rare as on the 1847 issue. Numerals, Way, Free, Paid and Steamboat cancellations are decidedly scarce and worth good premiums.

Make friends with the 1c of 1851, if you have not already done so. It will repay careful study better than any stamp I know, both in its wealth of variety and its almost certain rapid increase in value. It has gone up a lot, is still going, and probably will climb faster than ever when the general run of collectors begin to appreciate it better.

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—The Whiteside Co. (Ill.) Agricultural Society will hold its annual fair Sept. 2-5. For the first time in its history cash prizes will be awarded for the best stamp exhibits. T. M. Whitemore, 511 N. Cherry St., Morrison, Ill., writes that he can furnish good references to any philatelists who may desire to make exchanges.

—*Wanted.*—Present day address of Capt. Geo. F. Glass, formerly at Base Hospital No. 111. Who can favor us?

—In sending us two advertising cancellations, Lucien B. Wellborn enclosed a clipping giving the particulars of an unofficial airmail trip from Bishop, Cal., to Los Angeles. Letters were carried at the regular 2c rate. Mr. Wellborn says there is an aeroplane service from San Pedro, Cal., to Catalina Island, but only passengers and newspapers have thus far been carried. The schedule is eighteen minutes for the trip.

—Baltimore has a new stamp firm in Schnick & Co., 2618 Francis St. The firm is composed of H. H. Schnick, a member of various stamp societies, and C. Lat. Wilhelm who has become a conspicuous figure in Baltimore philately. Mr. Wilhelm is connected with the Baltimore *American* and we have made frequent references to the stamp department which has been a prominent feature of that publication. We give the new firm a cordial greeting.

—Alfred F. Lichtenstein sends us a Swiss envelope with a "Save Meat" cancellation. It reads "Spart Fleisch—Economisez la Viande". From Edwin H. Bailey comes the information of a New Zealand cancellation reading:—"The Repatriation Dept. trains men for every trade."

—So far we have only four names to list on our A. P. S. convention roster. Mr. Severn, the editor of the WEEKLY, will attend. Messrs. Mann and Wolsieffer of Philadelphia and Mr. Koslowski of Detroit. Are there others?

—Herman W. Boers, noticing our mention of Detroit as a great philatelic center, comes to our support with the statement that it contains two flourishing stamp societies and is second only to New York City in A. P. S. memberships. It leads both Chicago and Philadelphia, though by a narrow margin. New York has 104, Detroit 55, Chicago 54 and Philadelphia 52. Mr. Boers says that New York leads in state membership with 212, Pennsylvania 147 and Massachusetts 114. We would like to publish Mr. Boer's letter in full but must content ourselves with saying that he makes a good Detroit booster.

—R. P. B.—We do not know where you can get the watchcharm which is a replica of the triangular Cape of Good Hope stamps. Some English dealer could no doubt secure it for you.

—"I Polska Wystawa Marek". One reader says this means "First Polish Exposition of Stamps", another affirms that it means "& Polish Exhibition Stamps" while still another gives "This stamp represents the Polish people". We are waiting for a new translation or a confirmation of one of those given.

—Charles Wilson sends us three postcards received from 42nd St., Brooklyn, N. Y. The numbers are 1315, 1318 and 1328. They are all requests for approval selections and applicants and references consist of the following names:—Gittelson, Levin, Morris, Waldmann and Wolfe. Further comment seems unnecessary.

—The contest inaugurated by the Elk Stamp Exchange and announced last week (consisting of the naming of the scarcest stamp cataloging 25c or less) will close August 30.

—Edwin H. Bailey sends us the particulars of an aeroplane mail service tried out July 18 between Brooklyn and Babylon, N. Y. Long Islanders are anxious to have established an aeroplane mail delivery system.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from W. R. Horney, E. A. D'Armour, Wm. J. Langholz, Harold R. Arnold, Charles E. Booth, Jack Printz, Maitland Milliken, Kenneth Tallmadge.

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—The Jordan Stamp Co., Kingston, N. Y., woud like to hear from dealers who can get no replies to letters sent A. B. Cleveland, Holyoke, Mass.; Harry E. Ament, Rochester, N. Y. and J. Alex. Copeland, Jersey City, N. J.

—We have received from J. A. Galbraith specimens of three new stamps, viz.:—Jamaica 1½d green commemorative, also 2sh deep blue on light blue, and Gilbert & Ellice 3d violet on yellow, chalky paper.

—F. J. S.—As yet we have no indices for the years 1917 and 1918. For a personal reply enclose stamp.

—There was an error in the adlet of S. N. Oughtred July 19. 25 Halifax law stamps were advertised for 25c. Only one stamp, 25c value, was intended.

—A very excellent series of stamp articles has been appearing in the *Christian Science Monitor*. In fact, various articles received from various parts of the country indicate that the hobby is receiving a great deal of publicity at the present time. The stamps of new Europe have a special charm for these philatelic writers. We acknowledge the receipt of four *Monitor* articles from M. A. Woodbury.

—"Went to the Los Angeles postoffice and asked for the 'Narcotic' stamps. The I. R. C. would only sell me the 1 cent. This stamp he overprinted in my sight. The handstamping is done with a rubber handstamp printing the word 'narcotic' five times at one application. I expect to get the rest of them soon.—LUCIEN B. WELLBORN.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Revised—The news of the reduction in the rate for mail carried by aeroplane to two cents an ounce or fraction thereof and the displacement of special stamps by "any stamps good for postage" practically closes a chapter of philatelic history that will have a somewhat curious place in the annals of philately. First, some years ago came the aerial markings on mail with ordinary stamps that was carried on flights for exhibition purposes at different points, in order to give the people a new sensation. In due time, the establishment of regular air-mail routes followed and the use of distinctive stamps gave a substance to mail carried through the air. Though the philatelic significance of aerial mail carried was not adequately recognized by the authorities, yet enough material was presented to make a fascinating aside that appealed to many collectors. The devious turns that the department took with its orders for the treatment of the mail confounded collectors but even so, there is a good number of special markings to engage attention. Mr. A. C. Roessler, the most active exponent of air-mail philately in a communication to us says: "I see that it is all off with the special cancellation. This new rate and lack of distinction between that class of mail and the ordinary make the airplane cancellation obsolete." We think the fact that a sort of philatelic finale has been given to the air-mail envelopes will center attention on those that are available for collecting.

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Echo—An occasional pot-shot is still being taken at us by readers who do not coincide with our remarks recently on the high prices of United States. One of them asks who benefits if not the dealers from the new scale. It is certain that the dealers do not as they have not enough of the stamps in question in stock to make it worth while. One dealer writes: "It seems that the sky-high prices arrived after my stock was shot to pieces and I am now anxious to buy back some of the stamps I sold not so very long ago at prices that will yield the buyers a good profit." A dealer is apt to hold a few if any stamps for future price possibilities; and it is the "turn-over" of stock that he strives for as a rule.

Postmarks—On an envelope bearing the three cent green, 1882, we notice this postmark, "Verona, Ill., Jan 25, 1883, F. P. Avery, P. M." The incorporation of the name of the postmaster in the postmark may strike some of us as odd but the collector who has interested himself in the earlier postmarks on U. S. stamps may know that this form of self-exploitation by postmasters characterized a period in the late '70's and early '80's when room for the play of the postmaster's individuality was afforded in the selection of postmarks, cancellations, etc. This postmark of 1883 that has been referred to is about the last survivor, as to date, of this tolerant postal era. Receiving or back stamping postmarks, such as, "Received at P. O. Marseilles, Illinois, Apr. 26, 1880, 2 P. M., D. H. Slagle, P. M.," showed another style of publicity for the patient P. M. These liberties, viewed from the postal standard of to-day were taken with the tacit consent of the authorities, as in the U. S. Postal Guide, 1881, for instance, we find the advertisements of several enterprising firms addressing themselves to postmasters and offering post office supplies, such as "postmarkers," (with the name of the postmaster if desired) and different styles of cancelling stamps. Several of the firms that catered to the wants of postmasters before uniformity of equipment was demanded by the government grew to good size and no doubt, some of the older readers who have done their turn in the country post office will remember the illustrated catalogue of F. P. Hammond & Co., Aurora, Ill., which was "sent free to postmasters only." We suppose that the use of the postmaster's name in the marker was made about 1885.

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Ink—In 1879, the postal laws and regulations provided that postage stamps be canceled by postmasters, with black printing-ink only, "whenever that material can be obtained; and where it cannot, the operation should be performed by making several heavy crosses or parallel lines upon each stamp, with a pen dipped in good black writing-ink." Each succeeding year, the department emphasized the use of black ink only but it was a long time before the reform was a sweeping one; and even to-day, mail comes from small offices, here and there, principally in the south, with colored postmarks and cancellations.

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Signs—As the new stamps of the reconstruction period come in an unbroken stream, one becomes aware of the important part that philately plays in war and peace. Stamps of a verity are signs of the times. The story of the war stamps is concluded; the stamps have done their part well and are content to rest for all time with the comforting thought of duty performed. Peace has its stamp celebrations and its issues come under the reconstruction era, which with its regular issues born of political exigencies are making a lively time for our pursuit. In years to come, the pages that are now being filled in the albums will be a graphic exposition of the changes in nations; and stamps that have an historical basis have an added dignity. Poland, for instance, with its lone stamp was a philatelic pygmy but now with its hundred and more stamps has changed about face and we do not know of anything that could more compactly express the political mutuations of that country than its stamps. By-the-way, the peace stamps of Japan that several readers have shown us with appreciative comment in which we chime are beautiful stamps and are meaningful in their symbolism of design and special cancellation.

Reported—From Mr. R. J. C. Brown, we have received particulars of his discovery of the five cent, 1851, U. S., with a distinct double transfer. From the drawing that Mr. Brown submits, it is seen that the doubling is very marked in the "Five Cents," while the bottom projection instead of having the normal double line appearance is a solid mass of color.

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Wanted—We have a request from Mr. Erwin C. Campbell, who may be addressed in care of the editor, for particulars of the suit brought by Christopher C. Campbell against the postmasters of different cities, including New York, about 1880, for "alleged infringements of letters patent for an improvement in post office marking and canceling stamps, which stamps are furnished to postmasters by the department." We know of Francis, Fletcher, Steel and Douglas, through their patents to prevent the re-use of stamps but Mr. Campbell who is a relative, we assume, of the plaintiff in these old cases, is interested to know just what turn the inventive genius of the litigant took.

NEWFOUNDLAND AIR MAIL.

By MICHAEL P. HYNES.

In your issue of the 12th inst. it is stated that the British dirigible R-34 dropped some mail bags as it journeyed over Newfoundland. May I set you right by saying that no mail was dropped here by the airship? As she passed over Grand Bank, on our south coast, a parachute was dropped to which was attached two messages, one addressed to the Prime Minister of Newfoundland and the other to the Colonial Secretary.

The Martinsyde attempt at a trans-Atlantic flight has been abandoned and Raynham has left here for England. His mail has been handed back to the Postal authorities and will be forwarded to England at the first opportunity. As there is no direct steamer leaving here soon it is likely it will go via New York.

When the Handley-Page machine left here on July 4th for Long Island, N. Y., she carried an English mail of 171 pieces and a small supplementary American mail. After the forced landing at Parrsboro, N. S., the mail-bag was sent to New York to connect with the R-34 for transportation to England. It is not known here yet if the connection was made. It is likely that Newfoundland will have a regular Air Mail Service stamp in the near future.

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STAMPS OF THE CZECHO-SLOVAKS.

By JAMES F. HAMILL.

Czecho-Slovakia, or Bohemia, as it is commonly called, is one of the newest nations resulting from the World's War, and one which has provided the collector with several interesting sets already. Up to 1918 Czecho-Slovakia was the northeastern part of Austria-Hungary, comprising the land inhabited chiefly by the Czechs and Slovaks, hence its name. The largest city and by far the most important in this state is its capital, Prague. This is a city of 228,000 inhabitants and is situated in one of the most fertile regions of the world. The word "Prague" is the English form of the German "prag", or "praha", which in Czech means the "threshold", referring, it is supposed, to a reef of rocks in the bed of the Moldan River on which Prague is situated. This nation is bounded on the north by Germany, on the west by German-Austria, on the south by Hungary, and on the east by Ukrania, Russia and Poland. Professor Thomas G. Masaryk is the President of this republic and is a most capable man and staunch patriot in every sense of the word.

Taking up the regular postage stamps first, we find one design existing throughout—that of the Cathedral of Prague in the center, the word "posta" above, the value in numerals below, and—in the first issue—the words "cesko slovenska" at the sides. In the second issue the plate was altered, the words "cesko slovenska" removed from the sides and placed horizontally across the stamp immediately above the value and below the pictorial center, and the spaces left vacant at the sides filled in by two small circles. These two issues we shall designate as Types I and II.

The newspaper stamps issued by this republic are square in shape, and have as a central design a pigeon with outstretched wings, surrounded by a circular band upon which "posta" is inscribed at the top, and "cesko slovenska" at the sides; the value in numerals is in both lower corners of the stamp. The special delivery stamps are rectangular in shape and depict two pigeons perched on the square containing the value of the stamp; the band surrounding the stamp is also inscribed "posta cesko slovenska." The postage-dues are perhaps the least interesting of all owing to the oneness of color practically throughout; with the exception of the three highest values, they are all bistre. The value and the word "doplatit" form the central design, while "cesko slovenska" forms the border on left, top and right sides, and "posta" on the bottom. To my knowledge there have been no changes whatever in the designs of the newspaper, special delivery, and postage-due stamps.

For the benefit of those who have found it difficult to classify all the varieties, I herewith submit a list of all the varieties that have come to my notice thus far, and although unable to vouch for the *absolute* completeness of the same, still I believe it will go a long way toward helping the collector out in his attempts to chronicle all values and varieties. It should be borne in mind, however, that in several values, particular in the postage stamps, a great many shades have been discovered which I think unnecessary to report.

In Type I of the postage stamps, the following values were issued imperforate:—3h violet, 5h yellow green, 10h rose, 20h bluish green, 25h blue, 30h bistre, 40h light red, 100h red brown, 200h ultramarine, and 400h violet. Not long afterwards I procured the 5, 10 and 20h (Type I) in a clean-cut perforation measuring clearly 11½, and although Scott lists them as "perforate 11", I cannot help but think them mistaken; I have heard of no other values in this perforation. A few weeks ago I received a set of Type I very roughly perforated which was executed by a hand-machine; this set included the 3h, 5h, 10h, 20h, 25h, 30h and 40h, and although I did not receive the higher values, I can see no reason for their not being also issued in this perforation; the perforations are very indistinct and in some cases immeasurable, but those which I was able to measure seemed to be 9½. I am informed, however, that 13½ is the new and permanent perforation, and have received the 25h (Type I) in a very clean-cut perforation of that measurement—evidently the first value to make its appearance

The following values in Type II have been issued imperforate:—1h chocolate, 15h vermilion, 50h purple, 60h orange, 80h olive green, and 300h blue green. I have also received the 1h, 50h, and 60h in the rough perforation of 9½. No stamps of Type II have as yet appeared in the permanent 13½ perforation, that I am aware of. There are not so many varieties in the newspaper, special delivery and postage-due stamps, and they are, therefore, much more easily classified. Only three values have appeared in the pewspaper stamps, namely 2h green, 6h scarlet, and 10h violet, all of which are imperforate. The 2h violet and 5h yellow green, both on yellow paper, constitute the special delivery set. I have them, both imperforate and in the rough 9½ perforation. The following due stamps have been issued in bistre:—5h, 10h, 15h, 20h, 25h, 30h, 40h and 50h; 100h deep brown, 500h blue green, and 1000h violet. All are imperforate, but no doubt they will appear soon perforated.

The stamps this new nation has given us have been so far very interesting, and should prove a delight to every collector of new issues; and the least we can do is to wish for its welfare and success as a newcomer among the nations of the world.

NEW TAXPAIDS.

By CHAS. S. THOMPSON.

The United States has always been held up to the philatelic fraternity as a shining light among great countries, because it has not as yet surcharged any postage stamps, at least, for postal uses. As an overprinter of revenue stamps, however, the most Nicaragually inclined speculator has nothing on some of our revenue officials, as the following stamps indicate:—

20 Cig.—Green *on blue,* Series of 1901. Schgd. "$1.25 PER M. ACT OF AUG. 5, 1909." in Roman caps and figures, 3 mm. high, two-line schg.

20 Cig.—Same as above, the schg. barred by fancy zig-zags, and schgd. "ACT OF 1917" in characters 5½ mm. high, (sans-serif caps.) Both above schgs. in deep carmine.

20 Cig.—Same as above, but with additional schg. "P. I." in thick Roman caps, 5½ mm. high, in gentian violet. This surcharge is applied horizontally, the others vertically, reading up.

20 Cig.—Same as above, but the "1917" barred by four lines of gentian violet, 10 mm. long, and schgd. vertically up in *red,* "1918" in figures 5 mm. high, the surcharge being 14½ mm. long. The P. I. is very faint on this and succeeding varieties, probably due to wetting.

20 Cig.—Same as above, but the "1918" is schgd. in figures which are only 4 mm. high, the surcharge being 15 mm. long, as the type is much more expanded. The "1918" in 2 preceding varieties occurs in various positions due to the fact that the surcharges were applied by hand with a "consecutive number" stamp.

It will be noticed that these surcharges are all on the same stamp, there being no less than five overprints on the last-named variety.

The cancellation consists of a series of six undulating lines, alternating with ovals 31 mm. high, bearing date of cancellation. This appears like a sixth surcharge, and there is no room for doubt that the practice of economy has been carried to the ultimate degree in the case of this series of stamps. About the only place where another overprint could be applied is at the top of the stamp, in corner spandrels, where the "20" might be converted into a "5" to indicate the number of surcharging operations.

Probably other values have been treated in the same manner as the 20 of 1901, but that denomination is the only one I have seen.

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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

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UNITED STATES.—The daily papers carry notices that the Post Office Department has reduced the rate on aeroplane mail to 2c per ounce and that in the future such mail will be carried via aeroplane or train, whichever is the quickest, at the option of the department. Inquiry at the local post office shows that the official notice from Washington regarding this change has not yet been received. If this information is correct it means that the 6c aeroplane stamp will be discontinued and we hardly believe that a special 2c stamp will be issued, in its place.

It is barely possible that the clipping did not give all the details and that it meant the rate for the carrying by air was reduced to 2c in addition to an extra postal charge of 2c, making four cents in all. If this is the case, it is quite likely that a special stamp will be made.

We have been lead to believe that the department contemplates issuing a special peace series which will make their appearance around the time that the League of Nations meets in Washington. Of course nothing definite can have been done for the Senate has not as yet ratified the treaty which brings into being the League of Nations in so far as this country is concerned.

In further reference to the now famous compounds recently issued, Mr. B. K. Miller informs us that he has located sheets of the three values, namely the 1c, 2c and 3c with the vertical guide lines in nearly every possible position. Some show it between the 2nd and 3rd rows, some the 3rd and 4th rows and so on. It will be recalled that the sheets are supposedly separated at the guide line but as mentioned before a large portion are separated elsewhere.

We are pleased to be able to report another series of provisional rubber stamped "Narcotic" revenues. Dr. L. G. Tedesche and A. E. Hussey write that Cincinnati has issued a series surcharged in red violet ink in capital letters upon the current documentaries. Dr. Tedesche is unable to furnish information as to the exact denominations but believes all values up to and including the $2 value have been overprinted.

Mr. A. S. Davenport also reports that additional values of the Documentary stamps have been surcharged at the Bureau "Narcotic". We have chronicled heretofore the 1c, 2c, 4c, 8c and 10c and now wish to add

1919 "Narcotic" on 1917 Documentary, Bureau-Surcharge.

3c rose.	25c rose.
5c rose.	$1 green.

The letter which Mr. Davenport received from the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Washington, is most interesting, and under the circumstances quote from it.

Washington, D. C.
July 15, 1919.

"Sir: I am in receipt of your letter of May 28 in which you state that you are very much interested in making a collection of United States revenue stamps, and would appreciate it if I could give you information set forth in your several questions, and in reply beg to give below your questions and answers thereto, as follows:

1. I note a new playing card stamp inscribed "Class A".

A. About when was it issued, as it does not bear the series, as heretofore. A. December 14, 1918. Has no series.

B. In reading the law covering playing cards I do not seem to find any reference to "Class". Are there other classes than A? A. There are no other classes than A.

C. Have new stamps been prepared for, or any overprinted by the Bureau under the 8c tax? A. 2c playing card stamps, Series 1894, are overprinted 8c. (Ed. Bureau means "8 Cts" in red.)

2A. Have other values than the 1c and 2c documentary stamps been overprinted "Narcotic", and if so, why? A. Documentary stamps that have been overprinted "narcotic" are 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c, 5c, 8c, 10c, 25c and $1.00.

2B. Is a special stamp to be issued for narcotics and if so, what values? A. Special stamps will be issued for narcotics as follows:

1c to be known as No. 1, size ¼"x1½"
No. 2, size ⅜"x2½"
No. 3, size ½"x4"
No. 4, size ¾"x6"

3. Has a special stamp been prepared or issued for "stock transfer" and "future delivery", or are the overprinted documentaries to continue?

A. No special stamps have been prepared for "stock transfer" and "future delivery." Will continue to overprint documentary stamps."

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JAMES L. WILMETH, Director.

We have recently had our attention called to several heretofore unlisted varieties of provisional surcharges upon the 2c blue playing card stamp, series of 1894. Mr. H. F. Metz has shown us the stamp surcharged in heavy black letters "17", inverted, indicating that the stamp was used under the act of 1917, that is at the 7c rate. Mr. A. S. Mark shows us the same stamp issued at the Cleveland office surcharged first in violet red "1917" and then inverted "1919" indicating that the stamps were first prepared to be sold under the act of 1917 and some being on hand when the new act went into effect they were surcharged with the year of the new act. The same gentleman also shows us this stamp surcharged in black reading up as well as down, the former being the invert. as follows: "S. P. C. Co. 7 Cancelled". Mr. R. H. Mason reports the "10-4-1917 7 Cents S. P. C. Co." in violet reading both up and down as well as the "10-4-1917 7 Cents A. D." in bright red, double surcharge.

Mr. Charles Huscher as well as Mr. G. T. Kettlewell send us several new as well as unusual postmarks from the West. From Denver, "Be careful with fire in the mountains", also "Vacation outdoors in Colorado's National Forests", from Sacramento, "Help prevent forest fires", from San Francisco, "Take your vacation in the National Forests".

BAHAMAS.—We are indebted to Dr. Walter Hess for first glimpse of the new issue of WAR stamps for this colony. The values are ½, 1, 3d, and 1sh and are surcharged in two lines. The ½d and 1sh are surcharged in red while the 1d and 3d are in black. The type of surcharge on the 3d is very much larger type than the other three values.

BRAZIL.—A San Paulo correspondent says that the new 25 reis stamp, chronicled recently, was placed on sale there on February 11 last.

The *Madrid Filatelico* says that the new official adhesives, with portrait of Wenceslao Braz, were issued on April 11. The values and colours are :—

10r brown.	500r orange.
20r mauve.	600r brown.
50r green.	1,000r bistre.
100r carmine.	2,000r purple.
200r blue.	5,000r emerald green.
	10,000r vermilion.

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3cor+5l grey (Temple).
5cor+5l brown (Temple).
10cor+5l deep violet (Temple).

GILBERT & ELLICE ISLANDS.—We are indebted to J. H. Smyth for a copy of the new 3d George, violet on yellow.

GUATEMALA.—Mr. W. G. Walker kindly supplies correct translations of the inscriptions on the centavos values of the Guatemalan pictorials. These are:—

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JAPAN.—We have received from Lucien B. Wellborn specimens of the new Japanese peace stamps, 1½, 3, 4 and 10 sen. They are most artistic. The 3 and 10 sen and the 1½ and 4 sen are in two groups of designs. The colors are brown, olive green, carmine and blue, respectively. A dove is the central figure on all four stamps but is particularly striking on the 3 and 10 sen where with outstretched wings it is shown carrying an olive branch. The workmanship and colorings of the set are of the highest order.

JOHORE.—A supply of Johore stamps on multiple CA watermarked paper has come to hand, consisting of the values of 2, 10, 21c, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and $10.—*Griebert's Notes.*

LA GEORGIE.—Messrs. Bright & Son advise that in addition to the values chronicled in No. 1487 a 1 rouble value has appeared.

LITHUANIA.—We are indebted to W. C. Stone and C. A. Howes for calling our attention to the item appearing under the head of Ukranin in issue No. 1489. This should have been under the heading as above.

MESOPOTAMIA.—We have repeatedly heard statements that sets of Iraq (Mesopotamia) could be purchased in London at a certain Government Office at face value. Nothing, however, is further from the real facts, as these stamps are only obtainable from the authorities in Mesopotamia. One day it was given out that the Indian Government had prohibited the exportation of these stamps, but this was contradicted soon afterwards by the message that certain values only could be supplied. At first only values from 1 anna upwards were obtainable, but our agents managed to secure the ½ anna as well, the lowest value, however, could not be procured, as the entire quantity had been bought up by speculators.—*Griebert's Notes.*

PARAGUAY.—Joseph C. Northup advises that a stamp famine is on and while waiting the new issue, surcharging is running rampart. He has received at the same time 2 new colors of the 1910 issue (No. 191 and 196) namely the 5 centavos in a very dark blue-green and the 10c in a deep violet. Three samples of overprinting were also included. The 40c yellow brown No. 410, is overprinted in 3 lines "Habilitado en 0.05 1918". Another copy of the same stamp is made good for its face value postally by the overprint "Habilitado 1918" in two lines. Also No. 211. 40c rose, overprinted "Habilitado en 0.30 1918" in smaller and lighter face type than was used in the other surcharges but with much larger figures in "1918".

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It has recently been the good fortune of Messrs. Stanley Gibbons, Ltd., of London, England, to discover a complete sheet of 240 subjects of the current Georgian 1½d printed on paper without any watermark. Normally the stamps are printed on paper with a multiplication of the royal crown and the King's cypher "G v R" (George V Rex).

We doubt whether the American chroniclers have seen any of the 1½d unwatermarked stamps, so the appearance of this stamp is only chronicled in America on hearsay, albeit with the veracity of Messrs. Stanley Gibbons, Ltd., to back it.

The discoverers, or the present possessors of the unwatermarked 1½d claim that the paper upon which the stamps are printed is thicker and coarser than than the usual watermarked paper. This sheet of paper may be one of those heavier sheets which are placed in a consignment of paper from the mill to make up weight, that we have heard about. Generally, these sheets are thrown out—or rather they are called "throw outs"—and should not be used, but should be accounted for and destroyed. London stamp printers, however, have had probably more difficulty in obtaining paper than American stamp printers, although the latter here had their own troubles, which are little known to the stamp consumer or philatelist, and the London printers may not have wanted to waste even a single sheet of stamp paper. The demand for 1½d stamps was and probably is quite heavy.

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The thickness of the paper may be the cause of the elimination of the watermark, but we, with others, believe the House of Gibbons when it states the stamps are unwatermarked. Taking some of the war stamps of Trinidad and Tobago, for instance, the thin paper varieties show the watermark very strong, while the thicker paper varieties hardly disclose a watermark—but one *can* see it.

Now, the most peculiar part of our dissertation is that while the American chroniclers have jumped head over heels in their endeavors to get the unwatermarked 1½d stamp listed in their catalogues, they ignore the fact that Messrs. Chas. Nissen & Co., Ltd., of London, England, have, for some time past, listed other unwatermarked stamps of the same issue, viz.: ½d green at $2.50; 1d scarlet at $2.50; 1½d brown at $7.50; 2d orange at $10.00; 4d greenish-gray at $10.00; 7d gray-olive at $22.50, and 8d black on yellow at (unpriced). Messrs. Nissen & Co. are specialists in British stamps and do not deal in any others, and there is every reason to believe their veracity in the matter of unwatermarked stamps as well as to consider a variety offered by Stanley Gibbons, Ltd.

The American cataloguers catalogue the "Grande Consommation" paper varieties of France, but ignore the handmade and machine-made papers of the first issues of Austria; likewise they note not thin and thick papers of Austria's first issue and in the meanwhile list such varieties, though they are harder for the stamp collector to detect, of the stamps of Spain.

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Finland	Gold Markka	.1930
France	Silver & Gold Franc	.1930
German Empire	Gold Mark	.2382
Gt. Britain	Gold Pound Sterling	4.8665
Greece	Silver & Gold Drachma	.1930
Haiti	Gold Gourde	.2500
India—British	Gold Rupee	.3244
Indo China	Silver Piaster	.7812
Italy	Silver & Gold Lira	.1930
Japan	Gold Yen	.4985
Liberia	Gold Dollar	1.0000
Mexico	Gold Peso	.4985
Netherlands	Gold Guilder (florin)	.4020
Newfoundland	Gold Dollar	1.0000
Norway	Gold Krone	.2680
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Philippines	Gold Peso	.5000
Portugal	Gold Escudo	1.0805
Roumania	Gold Leu	.1930
Russia	Gold Ruble	.5146
Santo Domingo	Gold Dollar	1.0000
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Siam	Gold Tical	.3709
Spain	Silver & Gold Peseta	.1930
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Paper.

The paper used for the private die proprietaries printed by Butler & Carpenter and Jos. R. Carpenter until about September 1, 1871, was the same as that used on the documentary and general issue proprietary stamps of the first issue and probably all varieties of paper, (except the green experimental paper), found on the general issue stamps can be found on the private die issues. All varieties of this paper not containing silk fibres are classed as "old" paper. The paper containing a few small and widely scattered silk fibres is sometimes called "silk" paper but more properly should be called *experimental silk* to distinguish it from the true or "full" silk paper of the second issue.

All the old paper is white, usually yellowish or grayish, and, in the usual sense of the term, is unwatermarked. The absence of watermark serves to distinguish it readily from the white watermarked paper without silk fibres used after 1877. In the earlier printings the old paper is thin and brittle, easily cracked and so close grained that the mesh is seldom visible. The so-called laid paper common to the early printings of the general issue stamps has been found on the Jaynes and other medicine stamps printed in 1863. This "laid" paper also shows a "hair watermark" consisting of fine criss-crossed wavy lines as if the blanket on which it was made had a surface of coarse hairs and these hairs were pressed into the paper while it was soft. The depressions believed to have been caused by these hairs can be seen on the backs of the stamps. This paper is identical with the "laid" paper found on some values of the postage stamps of the 1861 series.

The only private die stamp cataloged on laid paper is the 1c medicine stamp of Alvah Littlefield. This stamp was first issued in February, 1870—several years after the paper with hair watermark and laid lines was in use—and the copy from which this variety was cataloged has extremely doubtful standing. None of the stamps printed on the laid paper of 1863 are so cataloged. If any laid paper varieties are cataloged it would seem better to list those whose existence can readily be verified rather than an alleged variety that was not even printed within five years of the right time.

The extremely thin, tough paper occasionally found on some of the general issue stamps printed about 1868 has not been noted on the private die issues, but at least one variety—the playing card stamp of John J. Levy—undoubtedly exists on the very thick paper used for a short time about 1870. Between 1869 and 1871 the greatest variation in the old paper occurs, just as in the general issues. The experimental silk was used during this period, also a thin paper with a coarse mesh, a thicker paper with coarse mesh, a medium thick soft paper sometimes mistaken for the watermarked paper, and enough other varieties to keep anyone who enjoys studying paper happily employed for a long time. Certain stamps first issued during this period are not known to exist on the thin paper characteristic of the earlier printings. A stiff and unusually white paper, like bond paper, has been found on the 2c Henry medicine stamp and it is obvious that any stamp printed during this period may occur on any or all of the papers which were then in use.

The paper used for the adhesives of the second issue was all white with colored silk fibres plentifully distributed through it. The fibres can be seen on both the face and the back of the stamps and there are many on every stamp. It is much easier to distinguish this paper from the "ex" silk paper of the first issue than to distinguish the ex silk from some of the old paper. Many stamps that must have been printed on the ex silk paper do not show any fibres because the fibres are so small and so far apart, but the full silk paper of the second issue is unmistakable.

The full silk paper continued in use until late in 1877 or early in 1878, when it was replaced by the white paper watermarked double lined U S I R supplied by S. D. Warren & Co. of Boston. The letters of the watermark are nearly ¾ of an inch high and were so spaced that each of the small stamps—those of the standard size of the low values of the general issues—might have one letter.

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The sheets of this paper measured 13x16½ inches and at first weighed 18 pounds per thousand. Later, the weight was increased to 20 pounds per thousand sheets. The stamps on thinner watermarked paper may therefore be assigned to 1878 and probably all of them were printed by the National Bank Note Co. There was no further change in the paper contract until September 9, 1882, when it passed to the Fairchild Paper Co., also of Boston, who supplied the paper during the few months the stamp tax remained in force. If there is any difference between the Fairchild paper and the Warren paper it has not been noted. Under the first Warren contract the price was 11½c per pound. Later this was reduced.

Little is known about the pink paper and what we do know appears contradictory. None of the general issue stamps have been found on it and many private die stamps printed when it was in use are not known to exist on it. Others exist only on this paper. It is rather thick and harder than the watermarked paper but is not watermarked. Some of the private die stamps are extremely rare on pink paper and this has been an inducement to imitate it by tinting a common variety on white paper. Almost always a stamp rare on pink and common on watermarked paper is selected for faking of this kind. Fortunately for collectors the watermark on the white paper is rarely faint and such frauds can easily be detected by holding the stamps to the light or by using the benzine cup. If a stamp is watermarked it is not on genuine pink paper.

None of the old paper is enough like the pink to fool anyone who really knows the characteristics of the pink. Faked pink papers do not often match the color well, but color is not a satisfactory test because the genuine pink is not a permanent color. The paper of used copies on the real pink is apt to be lighter in tint than that of stamps that were not actually used or exposed to sunlight. For the novice a copy of the Cannon Match stamp is handy to have around. As this stamp exists only on the pink paper it is not open to suspicion.

Referring to the Boston Book, (page 130), we read,—"Now as to the pink and watermarked papers; so far as we have been able to ascertain but one lot of pink paper was ever received, or used, by the National Bank Note Co., this lot. which consisted of five boxes, each containing ten thousand sheets 13x16½ inches in size, or fifty thousand sheets in all, was received on November 14, 1877. Upon looking up the dates of approval of the dies for the stamps which were first issued upon this paper we find they were *all* approved during the last four months of 1877; the first, that of Vogeler, Meyer & Co. being Sept. 22nd, and the last, the Centaur Company's two cent value, on December 22nd.

It is evident that this paper was more of an experiment than anything else and that its use was very short-lived. Further, it does not appear to have been used prior to the adoption of the watermarked paper, but to have been, to a certain extent, contemporary with it. For example, boxes numbered 262 to 423 were all received between November 26, 1876, and August 27, 1877, and were all marked *"Private Die Stamp Paper, New Paper."* This paper was all watermarked, which fact shows that the use of the watermarked paper antedated that of the pink by at least ten months, or, if its *use* did not, its *reception* most certainly did.

The records are strangely silent as to the exact time when these papers were put into use and what stamps, and how many of them, were printed on each. In only a few cases do they note anything in relation to the papers and these cases are far too insufficient to enable us to treat the subject as fully as we could desire. * * * several firms to whom the stamps on pink paper were sent absolutely refused to use them; in some cases enough were used to tide them over until they could obtain a supply on "white paper" and in others, rather than use them at all, they fell back upon the regular Government stamps until a new supply could be obtained.

The following are a few examples where the records show the stamps to have been on pink paper:

Geo. Laird,	5,048 stamps
Vogeler, Meyer & Co.,	328,347 stamps
Dr. C. C. Moore, 2c,	17,210 stamps
Henry Dalley,	12,156 stamps
Gardner, Beer & Co.,	1,787,940 stamps
Fred Brown,	15,159 stamps
Cannon Match Co.,	1,131,520 stamps
Chas. S. Hale,	330,120 stamps

These were all issued between January 29, 1878, and August 6, 1878 * * *. It will be noted at once that Henry Dalley had 12,156, yet neither of his stamps is known on pink. Dr. Moore had 17,210 and Fred Brown 15,159. It is very improbable that either used *all* of this supply, as both are far too rare for us readily to believe that so many were put into currency. The above list would account for 25,143 sheets of the known supply of 50,000, leaving 24,857 sheets still to be accounted for."

Much of the above data as given in the Boston Book cannot be reconciled with the statements contained in the reports of the Treasury Department, or the Bureau of Internal Revenue, and some of it fails to agree with what is evident in regard to the stamps. There must have been a great deal more than

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mentioned. A supply of about 300,000 sheets might have been sufficient to print the stamps which the facts indicate must have been printed on pink paper.

The annual reports of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue do not men tion any change in the revenue stamp paper from the time of the adoption of the silk paper in 1871 until 1877 when the Treasury Department advertised for bids to supply new and cheaper paper than the Willcox paper then in use at 20c per pound. The writer has been unable to find these advertisements but apparently they were placed just before June 30, 1877. The Warren concern made the lowest bid and their first contract went into effect December 14, 1877. The first orders for green, white and magenta paper were all dated December 21, 1877, and the first shipments were made in January, 1878. During that month, some white and some green paper and the entire order of 345,000 sheets of magenta paper, (except 14,000 sheets delivered in February), was shipped. The white paper was for "Private Die Stamps" and measured 13x16½ inches. The green paper was for "Documentary and General Proprietary Stamps" and measured 12½x16 inches. The magenta paper was for "Special Tax Stamps", measured 15x15½ inches and weighed 33 pounds per thousand sheets. It cost 1½c per pound extra.

The quantity of magenta paper supplied, the date when it was supplied, and the fact that it appears to be the only reddish colored paper supplied to the department at that time led the writer to believe it may have been the pink paper used for the private die stamps but further investigations show that these indications are merely coincidences. Referring to the new Warren paper, the report of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue for June 30, 1878, says.—"The paper furnished is distinctive in color and is watermarked with the letters U S I R in such a way that each square inch of every sheet bears some portion of the watermark."

This statement may refer only to the Tax Paid beer and tobacco stamps, etc., for which about nine-tenths of the paper was used, or only to the Special Tax stamps. The latter were all watermarked after 1877 and, as will be seen by the following list, every year the color of the paper was changed. These are large "coupon" stamps measuring about 15x7 inches, including the stub, and dealers in liquor and tobacco were required to buy one each year. They were printed two on each sheet, (except certain varieties for wholesalers printed one per sheet), and the quantity printed for 1878 would have required about 345,000 sheets. All were printed by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing and only those for 1875, 1876 and 1877 had silk fibres in the paper. It is understood that each year all the denominations were printed on the color of paper selected for that year.

1873, gray.	1879, brown.
1874, cream.	1880, buff.
1875, green.	1881, cream.
1876, pink.	1882, yellow.
1877, yellow.	1883, gray green.
1878, magenta (note).	

Tests made on a scale sufficiently large to give quite accurate results show that the pink paper of the private die stamps is much lighter in weight than 33 pounds per thousand sheets. Sheets measuring 15x15½ inches would weigh about 22 pounds while those measuring 13x16½ inches would weigh only 20 pounds per thousand. Where the pink paper came from and the total quantity used are questions that still remain to be answered. The writer ventures the suggestion that the pink paper may have been intended for the Special Tax stamps of 1876, 1877 or 1878 and not being suitable on account of its weight, or for some other reason, was laid aside and then worked off on the users of private die stamps—more or less successfully.

The Cannon Match Co., Gardner, Beer & Co., and Chas S. Hale match stamps, known to exist only on pink paper, are stated to have been first issued in December, 1877. The 1c Curtis & Brown Mfg. Co. and the Vogeler, Meyer & Co. medicine stamps, known to exist only on pink and watermarked paper, are also stated to have been first issued in 1877—the former in November and the latter in November or December. These dates agree perfectly with the statement that a quantity of pink paper was received by the National Bank Note Co. on November 14, 1877, and it is evident this was not Warren paper because the first Warren paper was not received until January, 1878.

The Centaur Company's 4c stamp is stated to have been first issued in January, 1878, and is known to exist only on watermarked paper. This and others of the early printings on watermarked paper may or may not have been printed on the Warren paper. It cannot yet be proven that any of the new watermarked paper stated by the Boston Book to have been received before August 28 1877, was used for any of the private die stamps except possibly for the J. B. Rose & Co. 2c medicine stamp. This stamp is listed in the Boston Book on silk, pink and watermarked paper and the date of last issue is given as November, 1877. Since 1908, it has been cataloged only on silk and pink paper, but as late as 1907 it was also cataloged on watermarked paper. There appears no good reason why the watermarked variety was dropped from the catalog for it certainly exists. Within the past two or three years the writer has seen more than one perfectly satisfactory copy on undoubtedly genuine watermarked paper.

The stamp of the Barham Pile Cure Co. is printed on a paper not known to have been used for any other private die stamp. This paper is a medium thick and rather soft white paper like the other watermarked paper, but the watermark is quite different. In the *American Journal of Philately* of December, 1885, Robert S. Hatcher wrote of it,—"The Barham has 'U. S.' in script and a net work running alternately through the paper." The Boston Book states,—"This stamp is peculiar inasmuch as it is not found on the paper watermarked U S I R but upon a special paper with a watermark of large diamonds." Perhaps this was the only stamp printed on the paper from boxes Nos. 262 to 423 —the "new", watermarked, "Private Die Stamp Paper". The die was approved January 5, 1878, and, if the records are correct, it was issued only in that year.

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EDITORIAL.

Farther West—The editor generalissimo is off on a trip to Colorado and for the nonce the chair is taken by an understudy. No doubt this trip was taken after a brain racking consideration of the consequences and he will hurry back to his job as soon as possible. Count Lapp de Booz and his associates must look with horror upon the apology for an editorial department herewith presented.

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Trade with Germany—The English press is considerably perturbed over the question of doing business with Germany. Some months ago an eternal boycott was vowed upon Germany and everything made in Germany but there appears to be a relenting. Major R. Lockhart with the Army of Occupation in the Cologne district writes *Stamp Collecting* that the dealers of Cologne are doing a "roaring" business and that army men have no hesitation in patronizing them. Douglas B. Armstrong in a subsequent issue of this English weekly urges English collectors to consider that "what was a very proper and patriotic policy in time of war assumes a totally different aspect under peace time conditions." He also declares that the uncompromising attitude assumed by some dealers and collectors towards what are no longer "enemy" war stamps is a "trifle narrow and childish." Truly the English press and collecting interests face an interesting question and we quote in closing Editor Derek Ingram's comment in part:—

"Is philately, so far as its adherents in the United Kingdom and colonies are concerned, about to undergo a *volte-face?* In other words, is there to be a change of front with regard to our attitude towards trading in and collecting postage stamps issued by countries with whom, since August, 1914, the British Empire has been at war? Of late we have received a number of communications—notably from men of the Army of Occupation on the Rhine—which, it seems to us, are symptomatic of such an impending change. Indeed, for a long time it must have been obvious to all of us that there must come a day when the question as to whether we are to remove the philatelic boycott and resume normal business relations should be finally settled."

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Ourselves—So far as our own people and government are concerned there is a different situation. True, we felt the anguish, pain and sacrifice of the great war, but not as England felt it. Germany was compelled to sue for peace and for many years will stagger along under a deserved burden which she must pay but which the United States realizes she can only pay as she has access to the markets of the world. If therefore a subscription or an advertisement reaches us from German sources we shall be justified in accepting the same in keeping with the policy of our national government. The best argument *against* so doing would be likely to find a place in our columns.

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France—The Paris Society of Stamp Dealers has decided in favor of dealing in "enemy" stamps and Yvert and Tellier will include them in the next edition of their well known catalog. This information is published in *L'Echo de la Timbrologie.*

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Summer Trade—We have never known a summer trade that could compare with that of the present year. The reason is plainly evident. Collectors and dealers alike realize the necessity of being constantly on the job with the provisional issues that are coming from new Europe. A year ago a six paged paper met our every need while this year eight pages have barely sufficed to supply the necessary well balanced issue. It bespeaks a great fall and winter trade.

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Book Situation—We are greatly pleased with our success in booklet publishing and a word in this direction may be informative. We have just issued a second edition of Barrett's and Bartels' "U. S. Envelopes", a second edition of the "Three Cents Green" is now on the press and this will be followed by a third edition of Poole's "Guide". We have several books and pamphlets in the making and due notice of their appearance will be given.

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Reference Please—A long time subscriber eases his mind with a letter to the editor that has a good deal of punch in it. We wont divulge his name but will make a public reference to one of the paragraphs as he suggests that we might "give an opinion that might be of interest to others as well as the writer." Our friend says: "I received an auction catalog the other day from the St. Louis convention headquarters of the A. P. S. but at the same time I was informed that A. P. S. membership would not be considered a sufficient guarantee and bidders should furnish the usual commercial references. That being the case, what is the A. P. S. good for? How do the undesirables get by? Do their references amount to anything? Are they investigated to ascertain the worth? I have been a member of the A. P. S. for several years and I have supposed that having my name on its membership list would identify me in a favorable way. If not and I am an unknown to the trade, I may as well save my annual dues." Our answer is brief and to the point:—We believe that membership in the A. P. S. should be as valuable an asset in doing business as though one used the name of a bank or some mercantile firm. If members of the association who are bidding for business are unable to see the matter in this light they should take the steps necessary to make A. P. S. membership what it should be.

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AS THEY SEE US "OVER THERE".

By BILL BLOSS.

"Corporal, I want you to go to Headquarters for me this morning. And if you like, you may spend the day in town," said the Major, that big, good-natured father of our outfit. I saluted, and made my departure lest I explode with joy, or become "unmilitary" in his presence. The thought that at last I was to see London prompted me to turn a few handsprings and other gyrations not becoming to a Major's stenographer.

I lost no time in hurrying from the camp, and mounted one of the ever-present London busses. This was my first trip to the big city, and I could scarcely realize that it was real. The bus-girl took my copper with the remark "Ye feel jolly well this mornin', Sam. Yer bloomin' face is split from ear to ear."

At Golders Green, I changed to another bus and rode through Hampstead to Baker Street, and thence to Hyde Park. After a walk through the famous garden, I made my way to 35 Eaton Place, that one spot, where America reigned supreme—the General Headquarters Base Section No. 3, S. O. S., A. E. F. I was then at liberty to go where fancy willed.

I made my way toward the business district, and at Trafalgar Square turned into the Strand—that famous thoroughfare I had heard so much about. I thought of the many times I had written to the dealers on the Strand, and kept my eyes open for the stamp shops.

I was not disappointed, for I soon found they were abundant. I saw signs of dealers in postage stamps every few doors, and came upon several large ground floor stores displaying stamps.

At first sight, these big stamp shops on London's greatest street, if one street in London is greater than another, fills one with a wholesome regard for the stamp business, and for stamp collecting. How those dealers could afford to pay for such elaborate quarters on such a prominent street was beyond my comprehension, for I have a fair knowledge of the stamp business, or thought I had until I began to learn of the extent of stamp trade in Europe.

With the exception of one New York dealer, and possibly two or three others who could have large stores if they chose, I have seen nothing in my travels around America to equal these London shops.

Dealers we seldom hear of on this side, have large, expensively furnished stores. They employ several clerks, generally young ladies or old gentleman, (for the young men were scarce in England at that time). The shops compare very favorably in furnishings with our stock brokers' offices, or "smart" retail stores.

As I visited these places, I could not help but think of the small, poorly equipped shops I so often visited in America. It is true, however, that rents in England are much lower than in New York and Chicago, while stamp prices are about the same. That, of course, is largely responsible for the difference. I do not doubt but what our American dealers pay as much for their small shops as the London dealers do for their large ones.

I visited Stanley Gibbons, Bridger and Kay, Bright and Sons, and many others. At each, I was most cordially welcomed, and in fact, was forced almost to rudeness to tear myself away from their hospitality. I was not urged to buy, as that is not the custom when one makes a social call. In fact, I do not believe the English dealer ever urges his clients to buy his wares. He seems quite reluctant to sell them!

Mr. Hugo Griebert, whose New Issue Service is familiar to the WEEKLY readers, was most cordial in his reception. I had longed to make his acquaintance, since I had corresponded with him, and so when I came to 170, Strand, I mounted the stairs to the second floor, and entered his office. I was greeted by a very pleasant lady, who bore my message to Mr. Griebert. The reception

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When I have acquired as many freckles and as much sun-burn as it is possible for a person of my avoirdupois to acquire I shall return, open up the shop, and have a bully time digging into the mail that will have accumulated.

I think the shop will be open again about August 18th, 1919, but am not making any affidavits. Take a chance on that and see how good a guesser you are.

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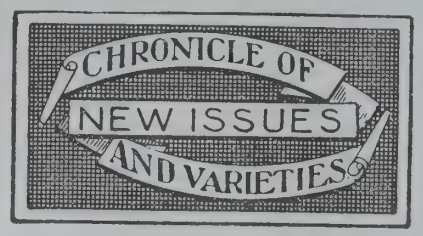

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Mr. Joseph B. Leavy, in *The American Philatelist* for July furnishes us with additional information relative to the recently issued rotary press compounds and we take pleasure in quoting from same. "Under an invoice dated June 14, 1919, there was shipped from the Bureau of Engraving and Printing to the New York Post Office the following quantities of the above stamps:

1c 4,800 sheets, equals 816,000 stamps.
2c 7,200 sheets, equals 1,224,000 stamps.
3c 7,200 sheets, equals 1,224,000 stamps.

He also tells us that:—"The S 30 appearing above the tenth stamp in the top row of the plates of the 1c and 2c is a distinguishing mark of the Bureau for the type of plate. When the first curved plates were made it was found that the outer frame of the stamp design was cut too deep on the original die to produce good printing results from the rotary press curved plates, therefore the outer frame of the design on the transfer roll, where the design is in relief, was cut down 20% and plates laid down from these transfer rolls were marked "S 20". The 20% cut down was found to be insufficient and was increased to 40% and the plates laid down from the increased cut down transfers were marked "S 40", these plates, however, printed too "thin" or light a frame, and the medium of a 30% cut down was tried and found to produce the desired results. Plates from the 30% cut down outer frame transfers were marked "S 30". These experiments were made with the 1c and 2c transfers only, the correct percentage of cut down having been established before the 3c plates of type II were laid down. * * * * * * * * * Plates of the "S 20" and "S 40" were not in use at the time the Bureau commenced conserving the short lengths of coil stamps."

Several weeks back we mentioned that the Bureau had laid down plates of 400 subjects for use on the rotary presses. These, of course, will be used for making the sheets of 100 stamps and not for coiling purposes. This will result in our having a new variety, namely the 1c stamp, rotary impression, perforated 11 on unwatermarked paper. Two such plates have been made bearing numbers 10151 and 10152. It is supposed that these plates have gone to press and therefore it is quite likely that the stamps will be issued by the time these notes are printed. If any of our readers run into these sheets we would like early information.

Mr. Arthur E. Rozin informs us that fifteen copies of the 3c envelope printed through error in the green of the 1c have been located at his post office. He does not state the color of the paper nor the die. We cannot vouch for this information being accurate for we have not seen the variety although we have written asking that a copy be sent us for our inspection. We hope to be able to give definite and positive information later.

Mr. George Soulman has submitted a copy of the 1c Documentary stamp cancelled in a greenish blue P. W. R. Co. NARCOTIC. The P. W. R. Co. is the Powers, Weightman, Rosengarten Co., of Philadelphia. The odd part, however, is the fact that the above cancellation which was applied at one time by the Company evidently has the word NARCOTIC in the identical type of the Philadelphia provisional issue. Later on when this company used the regular Bureau surcharged stamps, they must have cut the word "NARCOTIC" from their canceller for we find this later issue cancelled in the same type, simply "P. W. R. Co." The stamp which we describe above is also pen cancelled "3/4/19".

Mr. Cassius L. Clay has also shown us another variety, namely the 5c Documentary surcharged "NARCOTICS" in black similar to the Philadelphia provisional issue, the stamp being cancelled by the same firm. This surcharge was without doubt applied by the P. W. R. Co. for we have seen a complete impression from the Philadelphia handstamp used by the local Collector of Internal Revenue and they all read NARCOTIC without the final "S".

As for the provisional overprints "F. D." on the current Documentary series, Mr. H. W. Porter informs us that they come surcharged not only in the reddish rubber stamp overprint but also in a light black. Mr. William Lloyd has shown us the 4c and the 10c in the latter color.

ABYSSINIA.—This country has just favored us with a fine new pictorial set of bi-colored stamps running from ⅛ *guerche* (*piastre*) to 10 *talari* (dollars). Native fauna are interspersed with likenesses of the Empress Waizeru Zauditu and the Heir to the Throne named Ras Taffari. The stamps are said to have been printed by the Swiss firm of Girardet. The recent set was manufactured at the National Stamp Factory in Paris. The Abyssinian unit of value was based on the old "Maria Theresa Thaler" (from which comes our name "dollar") a coin worth about the same as our own silver dollar in bullion value, and this was divided into 16 *guerches* or "piastres," nominally equivalent to the Turkish piastre used in the Levant and therefore worth about four to five cents of our money.—*N. E. Stamp Monthly.*

CZECHO-SLOVAKIA.—We are informed on the highest official authority that no surcharged stamps have been issued for this Republic, and that the Austrian stamps overprinted with a lion and inscription "Cesko-Slovensky Stat" are unofficial and fraudulent.—*Whitfield King's Monthly List.*

ESTHONIA.—Messrs. Bright & Son inform us of the receipt of the following:—Diagonal Overprint in Violet on ordinary Russian Stamps:—
1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 5, 10, 15, 25, 50 kop.
New type numeral in centre 5p, imperf.
New type numeral in centre 10p, perf.
—*Stamp Collecting.*

New stamps have been issued with values expressed in "penni" instead of kopecs. Only two denominations have yet appeared, the 5 penni, which is imperforate, and the 10 penni, perforated. Before these were put on sale a stamp of 5 penni was issued, the design showing two seagulls flying over the sea, and inscribed EESTI VABARIIK at foot. The design not being approved, the stamps were withdrawn after being on sale for three days only; the number printed was 130,000. One sheet of the 35 kopecs stamps was printed on both sides; a correspondent has kindly sent us a specimen.—*Whitfield King's Monthly List.*

JAMAICA.—The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us a copy of the long looked for commemorative stamp of this colony. The value is 1½d and is oblong in shape and has JAMAICA at the top and beneath it the ONE PENNY HALF PENNY in a curved frame. Beneath is the view of the contingent embarking. POSTAGE—REVENUE is at the left and a profile of King George with the value beneath it at the right The color is green and a very handsome commemorative stamp is added to the list.

JAPAN.—We are indebted to the Economist Stamp Co., Alfred Rasmussen, and O. J. Olson for showing us sets of the new peace stamps chronicled last week. Mr. Olson advises that the stamps were issued July 1, and were on sale on that day only.

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LATVIA.—(*Lettland*).—Just as we go to press we have seen specimens of a fifth issue, which is by no means an improvement on the earlier issues, the design, which is an allegorical one, being roughly lithographed. We hope to give further particulars next month.—*Whitfield King's Monthly List.*

LETTONIA.—We learn from Messrs. Bright & Son of the appearance of three values in a new type—5k red, 15k green, and 35k (colour not stated)—all imperf.—*Stamp Collecting.*

NICARAGUA.—A. W. Dunning sends us a list of the values and varieties of the recent lot of provisionals that he has seen. He writes that at least one revenue has been used for postage recently. The letter after each item indicates the color of the surcharge, black or red:—"medio" on 6, 10, 15, 50c (b); "un" and "1" on 3c (b); "un" on 15c (b); "un" on 20c (r); "un" on 50c (b); "dos" on 4c, 25c (b); "cinco" and "5" on 6c (b); "cinco" on 15c (b) and "5" on 15c (r).

RHODESIA.—A consignment of the current issue 1s stamps was recently sent out to Southern Rhodesia printed in error in black and green instead of black and blue.—*Whitfield King's Monthly List.*

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—At the laying of the corner stone of the Hampden Plains M. E. Church in New Haven, Conn., Sunday, July 20, a complete set of the current U. S. stamps was included with the other articles deposited in the stone. This item of news comes from Dr. George H. Smith of that city.

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—Stanley F. Kunicki sheds a little light on the "I Polska Wystawa Marek" translation. He writes:—"When Poland became a republic it had three different kinds of stamps, German, Austrian and Russian. Poland now manufactures and uses its own stamps and this is why the inscription referred to is put upon her stamps. It means 'First Polish Issue of Stamps' and it informs the people that no other stamps will be used and the stamps with this inscription are the only proper ones."

—James L. Wilmeth, director of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, says that the bureau, working 24 hours a day, has caught up with the tremendous demands made by the issuance of new bonds, revenue stamps and money, and that postage stamps hereafter will be engraved as of yore, instead of being produced by the cheaper process.

—C. M. Breder comes to our rescue with a translation of "Posta Ukr. N. Rep." The literal meaning is "Stamp Ukraine Combined Republic". The N stands for "Narodna" meaning "All the people". A good translation of the sentence would no doubt be "Stamp of the Ukraine United Republic". Score one for the Dictionary.

—We have received many advertising cancellations during the past few weeks and regret that we do not have the space to acknowledge all these courtesies in detail.

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room is tastily furnished, and contains several display cases of stamps, all attractively arranged.

I was requested to see Mr. Griebert in his private office, and was given my first view of the European business office, behind the scenes. Instead of finding an office like our executives use, I found myself in a large room, handsomely furnished in true Old World style. A cheery fire was burning in the big fire place. Several attractive paintings adorned the walls. The room was furnished more like a parlor than an office.

I made myself known to Mr. Griebert and was invited to select one of the many big easy-chairs. Then I was given the first *real* —and only one, in fact,—cigar that I met in England. *Real* cigars, like many other luxuries were unknown articles at that time

With the customary desire to "get down to brass tacks" I started to talk business, and asked to see some stamps. Then, I was aware that this was not done over there, for Mr. Griebert politely switched the conservation to other lines, and I saw my error. For in Europe, as in South America, it is not considered polite to engage in business the first time one calls on a friend.

We discussed various topics of the day, and I found Mr. Griebert to be a most interesting and well-informed gentleman of broad experience and travel.

I felt quite guilty for taking up so much of his time, for I realized that he was a very busy man. However, this fact did not appear to concern him half as much as it did me. He insisted that I stay and "visit" with him.

As we talked, Mr. Griebert asked me many questions regarding conditions in America at that time, and I, in turn, tried to absorb all the information I could gain on the European situation. And so, the conservation drifted around to New Issues as Mr. Griebert is proprietor of the largest new issue service in the world.

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"As long as my clients maintain their deposits, everything works out very satisfactorily, but many people object to this method. I have found that it is necessary to adopt an iron-clad policy in this matter, for when one is dealing on such a small margin of profit, the slightest delay is disastrous. Probably I have lost some friends this way, but I feel sure that those same people would agree that I am doing the most advisable thing under the circumstances.

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I looked over the lot, and saw many stamps which would be cheap at a hundred *per cent* over face. Many of the war stamps, some with local surcharges, were included. Some of these were obsolete before they were received in England, and command premiums. Yet Mr. Griebert supplies them to his subscribers at the same rate as the common stamps. Collectors certainly should be appreciative of the service he is rendering.

Then Mr. Griebert showed me a small book—one of the many he keeps in his private safe in his office. It was literally filled with choice stamps. Knowing that I was especially interested in early Netherlands, he showed me a beautiful block of four of the fifteen cent orange, the most splendid piece of its kind I have ever seen. Fortunately for my friend there was nothing handy with which I could assault him, for if there had been, I fear I would have let my desire for this magnificent prize overcome my better nature.

Finally I decided that I needed the air, after looking over these unobtainable things. Each page he showed me was better than the one before and I have no doubt but what the last page contained a block of four of the post office Mauritius. We didn't get that far, for the noon hour was passing, and we both felt need of refreshment after our long visit.

I spent the afternoon browsing among the stamp shops on the Strand and Fleet Street. The window displays attracted me, for many contained stamps seldom seen in America. Postally used copies of stamps from the smaller colonies were in evidence, some on cover. War stamps claimed the most attention.

The dealers catering to the younger collectors showed a liberal assortment of sets, along the lines our American dealers follow. Packets and supplies were exhibited, at prices somewhat lower than ours. Business appeared to be good that day, for there were streams of customers passing in and out.

On the whole, I believe we may well get acquainted with the English dealers. I found them to be pleasant men, well-versed on their wares in most cases, and I noted that most of the larger firms carried on their business with neatness and dispatch. The specialist will find that many of these dealers are in position to supply stamps which rarely find their way over here, for over there, they pay more attention to such things as telegraphs, revenues, essays, proofs, and the minor varieties that so often bother the specialist.

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By HENRY H. HART.

I am writing from Hong Kong. A typhoon is raging outside the harbor, with its accompanying thunder and lightning, making walking about the city impossible, and the cables are congested so that patience is a very necessary virtue in this farthest outpost of Britain in Asia. These circumstances combine to give me the leisure to fulfil a part of my promise to you at least—to tell some of my philatelic experiences in the Orient.

I was in Japan for such a short time that I had no time to devote to things philatelic other than to purchase a few of the current stamps. I expect to remain there some time on my way back to the States, and will then try and gather some news of interest to my fellow-readers of the WEEKLY.

Hong Kong has a very fine four-story brick and granite Post Office, occupying a square block on the water front in the heart of the European district—which consists of about 20 square blocks in all. Of the 460,000 inhabitants of Hong Kong, only about 3000 are Europeans and Americans, the remainder being Chinese from Canton and the other coast cities, with a sprinkling of Japanese, and a few Hindus. Most of the latter are Sikhs from the Punjab, and are employed on the police force. They are heartily hated and thoroughly feared by the Chinese.

However, Hong Kong has often been described in your columns, so I will proceed to things philatelic.

The stamps on sale at the main post office and the subsidiary offices on the island and on the adjacent mainland of the colony, Kowloon, are the regular Georgian stamps, from 1c through $10. The 12c is exhausted. It will not be reprinted. The white-backs have also disappeared, and only the regulation colored-backs are to be found.

The Chinese clerks are very attentive to the wants of collectors. One of them, with great show of secrecy and looking around to see if anyone was watching, drew out a block of twelve Queen's head, 10c violet on red, pasted to a sheet of white paper, and inscribed, "Fifty year old, most rareest". He kindly offered to let me have these rarities at $5 per copy. I beat a hurried retreat to save my face.

There are innumerable Chinese shops which offer stamps for sale here. I was able to pick up some really fine bargains in Straits, Siam and the like. They sell only used stamps. There were, when I arrived, quite a number of Siamese stamps surcharged with a circle and Red Cross, and also the full current set of Siam surcharged "Victory". In their last War Stamp catalogue, Gibbons lists the set through 15c only. I have in my possession the complete set up through the 5 baht so surcharged. I am afraid that there are but few of these particular Siamese to be picked up here now, as I "covered" the shops very carefully. To buy, one must stand in the street at a counter, and everyone in China is interested in everyone's business but his own. I remember in Canton, when I was negotiating for a little bronze Buddha, at least 50 people gathered around. It was the same in Japan. I went into a shop to be measured for a kimono, and in five minutes it seemed to me as if the whole population of old Kyoto had gathered around to listen to the foreigner talk Japanese—a necessity, incidentally, to the real enjoyment of many of the country-places in Japan. Here we use pidgin-English and a bit of bastard Chinese. But I'm wandering from stamps.

There is one firm here, Graca & Co., whose prices are fair, and whose stamps are good. Dealers here mark their stamps with but very little reference to catalogues, and then allow 25-50% off. Of course, prices are in Hong Kong money, at present worth 83c gold to the dollar. This makes everything dear. Even a 10c stamp, supposed to be equivalent to our 5c, costs about 8½c. If the dollar were down to its normal value of 45-50c, it would be a stamp-collector's paradise, as far as the extent of stocks would allow. The commonest stamps on sale are the Indo-Chinese, Siamese and Chinese, as well as foreign offices in China.

I have paid a visit to the little comic-opera colony of Macao, a four-hour sea-trip from here, being taken on board a boat fitted with armor-plated bridge, iron-barred decks and armed guards

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Macao is the oldest European colony on the Coast—and looks it. It is a beautifully-situated city, but its harbor has silted up, its commerce departed to the English at Hong Kong, and its chief revenue is derived at present from gambling, the opium monopoly and stamp collectors.

My first inquiry on landing was for the "shue sun kwoon"—the post office. I landed there safely, after my rikisha had been pushed and pulled with much grunting on the part of the coolies over the ridge that forms the background of every view of the tiny peninsular. I was greeted with smiles by the Director General. I commenced to tell him my wants, but was met with a "No spik da Englis". I tried him in Spanish, but found that he spoke French fluently, and was only too happy to show it off. He invited me into his private office, called the boy at the stamp window, took away all the stamps he had on sale for my examination, and left him only the one-centers. For the half-hour that we spent in friendly converse, all comers had to take whatever they wanted in one cent stamps, whether they desired $1 or $20 worth. The Director produced a book in which were neatly pasted flat unused copies of all the values on hand, for sale at face. If I desired, he would put the office "chop" (mark or cancelling stamp) on each of them free of charge! Never did I meet so complaisant a gentleman. The varieties are so many and bewildering that I have not jotted them down, especially as I have only Gibbons with me, and I fear many of your readers wouldn't be able to check them up. Suffice it to say that there are on sale indiscriminately the new republican stamps, Don Carlos surcharges, surcharges on some of the values of the Vasco da Gama set, and even a lot of the surcharged and re-surcharged stamps of the old embossed set. I know that I left there 22 Hong Kong dollars. The coin of the colony is nominally the pataca, divided into 100 avos, but in practice, the only money used is that of Hong Kong, with some Portuguese bank-notes and Cantonese silver. Like all visitors I played at fantan and was fortunate enough to win, my money being paid me in Hong Kong dollars and Portuguese bank notes, with the odd change in Cantonese silver, which latter I spent later in Canton.

Practically none of the stamps have gum, except the high values which you do not want to stick together. They have plenty. I sent away a bunch of cards, and had to "cumsha" a boy to sit and paste stamps on for a half hour, with brush and mucilage. Even then one must wait and see that the stamps on correspondence are "chopped," or in some mysterious way they drop off, and the letter is never delivered.

Canton is served by the Chinese post, but Shameen, a beautiful bit of land cut off from the feverish, narrow-streeted nightmare of old Canton by canals, and reached only over well-guarded bridges, possesses a French, English and Japanese post office, in addition to a branch of the Chinese posts. It certainly was strange to talk French to Chinese. I may say parenthetically that a few foreign languages come in most handy in doing business in the Orient, in fact the lack of facility in two or three is a great handicap in business. Much of my work here is done through a Chinese compradore who speaks Spanish only, and French is invaluable everywhere.

I was much interested in the varieties of French colonials offered me there. In many cases I bought the remainder of the stock — a half-sheet or so, and no more are to be had in the office. The office is abandoning the distinctive Cantonese surcharge and is using the stamps of Indo China without surcharge. I append hereto a list of the stamps actually on sale at the office on Shameen, the only French Post Office in Canton:—

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You will note that most of those on sale are the Indo-Chinese stamps surcharged values in cents. Most of those surcharged I bought all the remainder of also the remainder of the stock of Red Cross stamps, 6 cents on 10 cents.

The Japanese and English stamps on sale are the current series surcharged "China" in Japanese for the one, and in English for the other—the latter, of course, on the stamps of Hong Kong.

This, I believe, brings me up to date. I expect to leave shortly for Tientsin, Peking, Hankow, Nanking and Shanghai, and then will go to Indo China, Siam, the Malay States, Singapore, Burmah, Java and the other Dutch Indies, the Philippines and then home via Hong Kong and Japan.

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By WM. C. STONE.

In response to a recent note in the WEEKLY asking for information about the "fee stamps" used at the New York custom house the following data may be of some use:

The late Robert S. Hatcher in a note in the *Philatelic Journal of America* (3:261) fixed their date of issue as June, 1887. Their purpose was quite fully described by L. S. Morton in an article in the same magazine (5:66). Their use was for the purpose of a check on the collection of the numerous fees on documents, etc., used in the business of the customs and also to concentrate the receipt of the actual cash at the cashier's office, the stamps only being presented to the clerk or official handling the papers.

Another brief note concerning the stamps by Mr. Hatcher can be found in the *American Philatelist* (3:344).

The stamps are eight in number, 20 cents red, 30c orange, 40c green, 50c blue, 60c purple, 70c mauve, 80c brown and 90c black. They are oblong in shape, (45x30 mm.) engraved and printed at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing and are rouletted.

At the top in a double lined tablet U. S. CUSTOM HOUSE, N. Y., below in four lines "Cashiers Office—Fees—Received—20 cents". The background is a fine network of crossed lines. At the lower left corner is a vignette of Silas Wright, for a number of years United States Senator from New York and Governor in 1845. Just why his portrait was selected for these stamps is not known to me, but the fact that he was a prominent New Yorker and that the Bureau already had the vignette engraved, it having been used on the current $50 gold certificate may have had something to do with the matter.

For quite a number of years these stamps were quite uncommon, only the two or three lower values being met with, but there must have been a housecleaning of old papers within the last ten years, judging by the wholesale offerings of the stamps at the present day.

A FINE AERIAL SOUVENIR.

Thanks to Joseph A. Steinmetz, we have been privileged to see a specimen of an original cover despatched on the British dirigible, R-34. It will be remembered that the airship left from Roosevelt Field, Mineola, L. I., the second week in July. The distinctive feature of the cover is the fact that the cancellation stamp bears a London marking, the date being July 13, '19, while included in the cancellation is the inscription "R34". It is interesting to note that the London office had no hesitancy in cancelling U. S. stamps.

Without a doubt, this cover, with its distinctive cancellation, will be a *rara avis* with the collectors of aerial mail curiosities.

PROVISIONAL POSTAL STATIONERY.

A most unusual act by our Post Office department is apparently about to go into effect. Under date of August 9, the 3rd Asst. P. M. Gen'l has submitted samples of the current 2c postal card and 3c stamped envelope, the former rubber-stamped with a large "1c" on the face of the stamp in colored ink and the latter with "2 Cents" in red ink below the stamp. In his letter addressed to Postmasters and Sub-agents he states that with the view of salvaging the plain 2c postals and 3c stamped envelopes in the Sub-agencies, he asks that they solicit bids from their local printers for overprinting the stocks in their possession similar to the samples submitted.

This will be a rather unique step for our post office department, and the possibilities for varieties in the styles of type used by different printing offices in the twenty odd sub-agents' local shops, and the endless variety of "mis-strikes", "inverts", etc., surpasses even the most vivid imagination.

USE A SAFE DEPOSIT BOX.

By H. B. PHILLIPS.

A safe is not a protection for stamps where the fire exposure amounts to any thing more than an incipient fire. The reason is, the heat in conjunction with resulting vapors discolors the paper in all cases, and often alters the shades and colors of the design. This would not effect their value for use in the prepayment of postage but from the standpoint of a collector or dealer it would be fatal to values.

I might put here on record my experience in the fire of 1906 in San Francisco.

Our office safe was a huge affair with a steel built-in inner vault, the whole thing weighing perhaps 16,000 pounds, and supposed to be the last word in mechanical construction. It was located in a 6-story brick and steel building, three or four days after the fire, as soon as the bricks could be handled without burning the workmen, the mass of covering bricks was thrown aside and I paid a man $50.00 to put a chain around it and roll it up on top of the pile with a steam donkey. I let it stand there for 10 days in order to cool off and avoid the loss by combustion which generally happened when opened too hot.

It appeared that the steel vault was absolutely air tight while the outer door was not. It was a very interesting time when we tackled the safe to open it as it contained all the records of a large business and several estates as well as the contents of the inside steel vault where were several thousand dollars worth of stamps, and perhaps half a million dollars worth of evidences of value such as stock certificates, notes, bonds, etc.

The contents of the safe proper were—ashes, only. The contents of the air tight steel vault were of a rich chocolate brown, not fatal to the securities, though all typewriting done with analine inks had disappeared, but the stamps—I am sending herewith a specimen to show just the result, it is the 1861 6 cent U. S. govt. envelope, printed in vermilion. It appears that the heat was sufficient to reduce the metallic oxides contained in the inks, leaving the deposit of metal and liberating sufficient oxygen to discolor and partly carbonize the papers present. The exact degree of heat cannot be known but tin boxes that were soldered fell apart by reason of the melting of the solder, and the stamps—I do not like to think about them.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Said—The annual meeting of the American Philatelic Society is at hand and on the eve of departure for the convention, offer a few observations on the present condition and possible future development of the A. P. S. We believe that a somewhat critcal stage in the careers of the national societies has been reached and that many members who were content to allow the bodies to drift with the tide are now disposed to demand action of some kind. It is one thing to cry that something should be done on an impressive scale to justify the existence of the national societies and another to say what should be done to add to their usefulness. Usually, the thought of the radicals is based on the claim that pretentious publications should issue from the society but this idea is shaken by the excellent official journal that comes to each member and so, further inquiry is necessary. We doubt whether any new idea of service can be suggested except the one indicated by the appointment of a committee for the purpose of looking after the interests of philately in a national or public sense. Several letters have come as a result of our remarks on the necessity for committees of the kind; and we select that of Mr. C. F. Richards, New York City, a consistent supporter of the American Philatelic Society, as showing the drift of sentiment: "I am very much interested in the editorial headed, 'Defense,' in the issue of July 19th. Our A. P. S. should have a committee, it seems to me, a standing and not a special one, of three Washington members to be called something like the Outlook, or Lookout Committee, whose duties should be, first to secure the backing of the other national societies. Then, the working in unison for any particular improvement in the government service for the betterment of our stamp issues or for the passing of legislation favorable to our pursuit, such as permission to illustrate U. S. stamps in our catalogues."

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Banned—We have seen a good many prisoners' letters of the civil war period but we do not seem to have found until now, any marking of the envelopes to show the censor's objection as to the contents of the letters. We notice on a prisoner's letter from Johnson's Island, Ohio: "Contraband in sentiment. D P. D." Subsequently, these written words were crossed out by pen and the explanation of this revision is found in the letter enclosed in the envelope, which reads: "I wrote you several days ago but my letter was returned being contraband in sentiment."

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Approves—A subscriber writes: "I thank you for having uttered pointedly enough to stick in my memory words to the effect that the stamps that you seemed to pay a high price for at the time of purchase are the ones that are likely to yield the most satisfactory return. I am glad to inform you that just six months ago in the thick of the season I bought a choice lot of United States from a dealer who has always treated me most fairly; and when I expostulated about the high price of the stamps, he was patient but did not reduce the quotations. I now have a letter from the dealer from which I quote: 'The lot for which you paid $375 and which you were inclined to think was priced high, I could use now in the middle of the dull season at a price to show you a profit of ten per cent. over cost to you.'"

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Tough—Here is a case that we refer to readers for their information and guidance. Mr. Albert J. Moore, Kennebunk, Maine, writes: "In February, I sent a package of cancelled stamps to a stamp company in New York City as merchandise, insured parcel post, and this being lost in the mail, I entered claim for indemnity, the package being actually valued at over $60, with the insurance limit $50." The result of the filing of the claim is shown in the following letter from the office of the third assistant postmaster general: "This office is compelled to disallow your claim for indemnity since the acceptance for insurance or transmission C. O. D. of the parcel involved was not authorized by the Post Office Department. Its insurance was evidently due to oversight by the postal employee to whom presented. Insurance and C. O. D. services are authorized by statute only for domestic fourth-class (Parcel Post) matter. Mail of other classes cannot lawfully be insured or sent collect-on-delivery, and indemnity is not payable for loss, if improperly accepted for such purposes. . . . . It appears that the parcel contained 2215 cancelled postage stamps, weighing less than four pounds, which are third class matter and not insurable."

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Comment—In the foregoing paragraph, the gist is given of the case submitted by Mr. Moore; and we are reluctantly forced to say that he will get no redress from the department. Mr. Moore was a victim of circumstances. Of course, the local postmaster was in error in insuring third class matter, but the sender who suffers even the loss of the amount of postage paid for insurance is not comforted materially by that fact. Our correspondent properly feels aggrieved but he has no way to turn so far as we can see, although we suppose a decision could be got from the attorney general for the post office department, if the issue were pressed. It should be borne in mind that the user of the mails should know the regulations but even so, one would take the postmaster's judgment on a postal point rather than his own.

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Case—The individual or company that undertakes to sue the post office department has a dubious outlook. Mr. Lowell J. Ragatz calls our attention to "Digest of Decisions of United States and Other Courts Affecting the Post Office Department and Postal Service, Appendix II to Postal Laws and Regulations, 1902." (1905). In this volume there are Supreme Court and other court decisions on cases that were disposed of; and here is an illustration of the reasoning of the Supreme Court in Continental Bank Note Company—U. S., 154 U. S., 671 (U. S., 1882) Affirming 14 Ct. Cl., 74: "Claimant had a contract to manufacture and furnish the official postage stamps which might be required by the Department. He made a subsequent contract to succeed the first, in which the price was stated at a lower rate. On the date of the commencement of the second contract, the claimant had a large quantity of stamps on hand which had been inspected and authorized by an agent of the Department, *Held*, that although the quantity on hand was manufactured and stored under the supervision of an agent of the Department, it remained the property of the claimant until delivered under the contract. The inspection and supervision by the agent during the manufacture and storage was to guard against losses and fraud and to insure promptness in delivering, and the ownership was not changed until the delivery which the contract provided for was completed. The Department was entitled to such stamps so held over at the price fixed by the second contract."

PRECANCELLED ENVELOPES.

Quite recently a precancelled envelope (the current 1c green) was used from a Maryland post office and it occasioned considerable surprise in philatelic quarters. F. G. Floyd, noticing this variety, wrote the Department at Washington as to the rules governing the issuance of precancelled envelopes, and the following reply was received:—

Post Office Department.
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NOTES ON THE 3c VICTORY STAMP.

By PERCY MCGRAW MANN.

I read with much pleasure Mr. Luff's remarks about the 3c Victory stamp. In the "Circular" he tells us that the figure of the so-called Goddess of Victory must have been created by a pro-German mind, as it typically represents Brunhilde, in features, figure and pose.

He furthermore informs us that a Victory stamp should have portrayed a beautiful American, a youthful figure draped, as one would picture Victory or Liberty, in the white robes of purity, with a Liberty Cap surmounting a noble brow.

The Victory 3c stamp shows a Goddess of War with sword unsheathed, probably executing justice, as the scales held aloft would indicate. Why the scales? We would have preferred seeing the so-called Goddess holding the ex-Kaiser's head that left hand of hers.

When will Government officials learn to take philatelists into their confidence when they intend to produce something new? Stamp collectors, owing to their continuous studies of the issues of the world, are in a better position to offer suggestions that will result in a beautiful and finished product.

The Victory stamp is unworthy the name, in design and production. Thousands of dollars have been spent by stamp dealers and collectors in the purchase of the stamps and these purchases will never be redeemed by the Government in postal service. The profit thus made by the Government would more than have defrayed the expense of having the Victory stamp designed by a high-grade artist; even to the extent of the cost of conducting a competition similar to those held by other countries when they produce stamps for special purposes.

Instead we have a production incompetently made, crudely designed, meaningless, a something that cannot attract owing to its dullness, lack of vividness, expressionless, and of no use whatever except for its postal purpose. A disgraceful product that does not attract anyone and therefore inconsequential for the purpose of showing the citizens of the United States and of the whole world that we are delighted with Victory—the stamp does not express our feelings.

No wonder the post office authorities withheld information as to whether the Victory stamp would be issued. It was never issued with great hurrahs. They were ashamed of the stamp. If not, they should have been. If the production had been something wonderful, something worthy to its producers and to the glory of the United States of America, its advance advertisement should have been sent broadcast. Severe criticism has been avoided by the reluctance on the part of the authorities to properly advertise their Victory stamp. If it had been advertised extensively, what terrible criticisms by artists and everybody else would have come forth. Was the stamp produced only for stamp collectors? Its restricted sale would indicate that. Then, why do the authorities think philatelists are satisfied with any old thing that they want to give them?

Truth of the matter is, stamp collectors do go crazy over anything new. They make a fuss about it. They must have it. They give space in their albums up to it. It is impossible for them to boycott it. If it were possible for them to boycott the recent United States stamp emissions, stamp collectors would do so—especially the so-called Victory stamp.

Now, I will turn to more serious (?) matters connected with the 3c Victory stamp.

I have noticed that the printing is done very poorly, that is, not carefully. It may be the fault of the inks, or it may be the fault of the plates, or both inks and plates at the same time.

Some panes of 100 show the bottom row or two in a darker shade than the balance of the pane, or others show the top row or two darker than the rest of them. After continuous printing, the ink clogs up towards the outer edges of the plate and the plate is not wiped entirely clean. This may account for the two "colors" on the same pane. Probably the top or bottom row was deeper entered; this would produce a similar effect; but I doubt that this happened. However, I have blocks showing the two top stamps a deep violet and the two bottom stamps the normal violet.

While the color of the 3c Victory stamp is generally quite uniform, I have several shades of deep violet and violet, also lilac, while I also have what I at first called "magenta-violet," but which could probably be more properly called "bright red-violet."

At the time they were issued I heard that there was a double transfer of one of the stamps, showing one design upside down and the other normal, similar to a 5 centime Swiss stamp which is well known. I heard that part of the plate had been entered one day and put away for the next day's work. When put under the transfer roll the next day the plate was reversed and a design was entered upside down. This was perceived immediately by the transfer roll operator, who turned the plate about and entered the design in its proper position in relation to the other designs on the plate, directly on top of the reversed entry.

Following these rumors, I decided to examine every pane of the stamps I could lay my hands on. There were sixteen plates to examine; sixty-four post office sheets of 100 stamps each. If I were able to buy a pane of each plate and each position all at once, my outlay would have been $192.00. So far I have not been able to gather in the various panes from the several plates, nor have I discovered the wonderful "double transfer, one inverted."

I have, however, examined thirteen of the sixty-four possible post office sheets of 100 stamps each and the results of my examinations will be set forth following. I have also seen some part sheets from other panes and will tell what I know about them.

The lower left pane from plate 9412 shows the initials "J. A. M." on the left-side margin next to stamp No. 91. Stamp No. 81 shows a slight shifted transfer to the right.

The lower left pane from plate 9413 shows the initials "J. T. W. M." on the left-side margin next to stamp No. 91.

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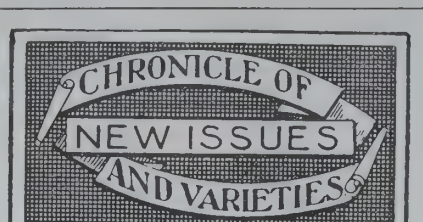

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

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UNITED STATES.—Plates for the 3c Type II, endwise coil, perforated 10 horizontally, were chronicled several weeks ago but we have not as yet seen the stamp. Have any of our readers as yet located this variety? If so, we would like to be advised of the fact so that we may list the stamps as having been issued. If they are not in the hands of collectors it is doubtful if they will ever be issued for there is no demand for a 3c coil and the Bureau has discontinued the coiling of this value, although we judge, those still in the Bureau will be delivered to postmasters on requisition.

Mr. H. R. Arnold has sent for our inspection a copy of the 2c circular die envelope, Die A, wherein the "E" of "CENTS" is missing. We saw but one copy and therefore cannot state if the variety prevailed throughout the package.

In our issue of last week we mentioned the possibility of the existence of the 3c envelope printed in the green of the 1c. Since writing those notes we have made an effort to see a copy of this stamp but without success. We must, therefore, state that we doubt the existence of this error.

Mr. Adam Grueing sends us a very unusual postmark from "Liberty Bond, Wash." Your editor was glancing through a Postal Guide the other day and would state that about every name in the English language has been used for designating post offices. That fellow who named the Pullman cars must have had this book on his desk.

Mr. C. G. Weisbrod kindly remembers us by sending on the day of issue, July 4, 1919, a copy of the 1c perforated 11, unwatermarked surcharged "Shanghai 2c China." We wrote about these in detail at the time the Post Office sent out their official notices regarding them. Mr. Weisbrod states that there has been placed on sale the 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c, 5c, 6c, 7c, 8c, 9c, 10c, 12c, 15c, 20c, 50c, and $1, each, of course, surcharged double the value indicated on the stamp.

We wish to thank Messrs. E. E. Holmes, Arnold Herrman and J. H. Houston for additional notes of interest.

CHINA.—S. S. Wang Chin Chai, writing us concerning the new Savings stamps says:—The Chinese P. O. will not sell the new stamps only as they are attached to savings stamp cards when they must be cancelled with the ordinary post mark. There are two cards, one holding ten 10c and the other twenty 5c. The stamps are the two regulars surcharged in red vertically with five Chinese characters meaning "Specially Used for the Saving Purpose."

JAPAN.—We have been advised by several correspondents of the appearance of a new postmark from this country and we are indebted to Mr. Fred L. Onken for sending it to us. It is the likeness of a ram's head with Japanese characters at the right and at the left, also directly beneath the mouth of the animal.

KEDAH.—Chas. S. Thompson writes us that owing to shortage of 4c stamps, the current 4c Straits has been used in Kedah. The color of the Kedah 4c has been changed to unicolor red, and the first supplies were printed from the double plate, two operations being necessary. A single plate is now in use. The 2c green has also appeared, and the new 1c, in chocolate brown, is also expected shortly. There is to be a 21c value, also, printed in purple.

Two provisionals have appeared, on account of shortage of 50c and $1 stamps. The $2 brown and green has been overprinted "Fifty Cents" in two lines of Roman caps 2 mm. high, the corner figures of original value being eliminated by squares 4½ mm. on a side. The $3 black and blue on *blue* has been similarly surcharged "One Dollar". The surcharge is applied so that one word is above, the other below, the medallion, thus the central design is not marred:—

2c green (rice).
4c red (rice).
50c on $2 brown and green (Council House).
$1 on $3 black and blue on blue.

NICARAGUA.—Mr. Fred L. Onken shows us copies of the 25 and 50c official stamps Nos. 1042 and 1043 surcharged "Vale un centavos de cordoba" and "vale dos centavos de cordoba" respectively. Both surcharges are in three lines and in black. At the same time Mr. Onken shows us the 6c No. 355 surcharged "Vale medio centavos de cordoba" and "Vale un centavos de cordoba".

PERU.—Mr. Fred L. Onken shows us copies of the current type of the 1c in dark orange and black.

RARATONGA.—Mr. J. H. Smyth submits the following additional values of the New Zealand stamps surcharged as follows:

½d RAROTONGA APA PENE in red.
1d RAROTONGA TAI PENE in blue.
1½d RAROTONGA TAI PENE E TE APA in red.
2½d RAROTONGA RUA PENE E TE APA in red.
6d RAROTONGA ONO PENE in blue.
1sh RAROTONGA TAI TIRINGI in blue.

The 1½ and 2½ are surcharged in three lines and the other values in two. Mr. Smyth also advises that the 2½, 6d and 1sh are in two perforations *i. e.*, 14x13½ on the top half and 14x14½ on the bottom half with both varieties showing on the middle row.

ROUMANIA.—Mr. Nathaniel Patteck calls our attention to the fact that the 10 bani stamps No. 220 has appeared surcharged in black with the monogram described in issue 1477, viz., a circle with a P to the left and a T to the right. Mr. Patteck also advises that he has a pair of these stamps showing the circle broken in several places.

RUSSIA.—Mr. Fred L. Onken shows us copies of the 2k No. 74 surcharged at the bottom of the stamp with the figures "35" in black. The letter bearing these was posted at Vladivostok.

SOMALILAND PROTECTORATE. — *The Stamp Lover* mentions the following new values on chalk-surfaced white wove paper watermarked Crown and CA multiple. Perforated 14.

2 rupees, dull and bright purple.
3 rupees, green and black.
5 rupees, black and carmine.

TUNIS.—*The Stamp Lover* chronicles the appearance of 3 centimes, rose, as the pictorial design as for 1c to 5c of the 1906 issue on white wove paper perforated 14x13½.

LIBERIA'S PHILATELIC HOODOO.

The Republic of Liberia has a philatelic hoodoo in the person of its President, Daniel Howard, whose portrait has been kept by the fortunes of war from appearing on the postage stamps of his own country.

At the time the world war began the postage stamps of Liberia contained the picture of ex-President Barclay. Apparently this distressed the dignity of President Howard, and he ordered printed, at Hamburg, Germany, a new series of stamps portraying his own honored likeness.

These stamps were printed as directed and a German steamship started southward carrying the labels in its cargo. This was late in July, 1914. In August came the days of the beginning of the downfall of the Hohenzollerns, and the German ship with the new Liberia stamps had not reached her destination. British warships intercepted the vessel and took her prize of war to Sierra Leone. Here the examination of the cargo disclosed the presence of the Liberian stamps, but as they were addressed to a German agent in Liberia and not to President Howard there was apparently no way of knowing—so the British reasoned—whether President Howard had actually made payment for the stamps or whether the labels still belonged to the German government.

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—G. A. Hunt informs us that the triangular Cape watch-charms referred to two weeks ago, may be obtained from L. T. Brodstone, Superior, Neb., or W. S. Lincoln, 2 Hollis St., London, Eng.

—The suggestion that the British West Indies be ceded to the United States in part payment of Great Britain's war debt is being considered seriously on both sides of the Atlantic.

—Wm. C. Stone and J. A. Bangs advise us that the list of coin values published Aug. 2 was somewhat antiquated. It is issued quarterly and Mr. Bangs sends us the July 1, 1919, list as issued by the U. S. Govt. There are a few changes as compared with published quotations but not so many as to repeat the table.

—Two of our subscribers, A. E. Drought and Albert Rosenthal, have kindly consented to take off our hands some of our surplus stamps, and we feel that we should acknowledge this courtesy on their part.

—Herman W. Boers advises us that Edgar Nelton, formerly of Battle Creek, Mich., but more recently with the late George Tuttle of New York City, after collecting for 47 years, has sold his wonderful collection of stamps and covers at a fancy price. Mr. Nelton has traveled extensively and in Europe came in contact with the foremost collectors, and this enabled him to locate many fine old European stamps, on and off the cover. One of the gems of his collection was a 90c 1869, on the cover. Mr. Boers thinks this a good news item, and we agree with him.

—J. M. Bartels Co. shows us a cover sent from Germany Oct. 16, 1916, and received in New York August 8, 1919. It bears German and British censor marks, and there are three censor labels attached.

—A 1c Columbian stamp paid the special delivery fee on an envelope submitted to us by N. Joseph. It passed through both the New York and Boston post-offices.

—Collectors are having their troubles with the U. S. Postal Agency at Shanghai, L. C. Ernst sends us a letter in which the receipt of $3 is acknowledged, accompanied by the request for a further remittance of $3 to secure the filling of his order. Mr. Ernst based his remittance on the Dockery circular, in which it was indicated that a complete set of the surcharged stamps could be had for $4.64. It evidently requires about $6.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from Walter Hartman, Wilbur F. Kerr and O. N. Hughett.

—L. W. Bealer writes that he is unable to secure replies to letters sent Ray Haas, 1014 W. 34th St., Indianapolis, Ind.

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—Geo. S. Gilbert sends us a clipping from a St. Paul paper, giving the particulars of the arrest of one K. C. Brewers, an engraver, for making counterfeit 2c stamps. The local authorities have been aware for some time that spurious stamps were in existence.

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Stamp No. 51, next to the left-side plate number, shows a shifted transfer to the right; stamps No. 61, 71 and 81 show slight shifts to the right; stamp No. 31 shows a very slight shift to the right, and stamps No. 41 and 91 show very slight shifts to the right. This seems odd, that from the third stamp down, all the stamps in the first vertical row at the left show slight double transfer or shifted transfers.

The lower left pane from plate 9414 shows the initials "S. S. L." on the left-side margin next to stamp No. 91. No shifted transfers were found on this pane.

The upper right pane from plate 9414 shows the "F", in front of the plate number over the sixth stamp in the top row, in a position that can be described as "falling towards the plate number." The "F" indicates that the plate is ready for the press, or "finished."

The upper right pane from plate 9415 shows a splotch in front of the top plate number that looks like an inverted "1" on top of a "dot." A punch with the letter "F" was probably used but not carefully applied. You will sit up and take notice when I tell you that stamps Nos. 1, 4, 14, 19, 24, 34, 40, 41, 42, 44, 47, 48, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 77, 79, 80, 81, 84, 85, 87, 90, 91, 94, 96 and 100 show, each, a slight shift to the left. The shifting is easily perceptible in the small triangular ornament in the lower left corner of each stamp, also in the point of color that comes down from above just over the triangle or to the upper left of the left figure of value. While most of the shifts are hardly noticeable, stamp No. 50, next to the right-side plate number, is a good shift.

The lower left pane from plate 9417 shows the initials "J. A. M." on the left-side margin next to stamp No. 91. I have not examined the entire pane.

The lower left pane from plate 9418 shows the initials "S. S. L." on the left-side margin next to stamp No. 91. Stamp No. 41 shows a slight shift to the right and stamps Nos. 51 and 80 show very slight shifts to the right. Stamp No. 100 shows a very strong double transfer or shift to the right—and, of course, this stamp has a straight edge at right and bottom.

I examined the lower right pane from plate 9418, but it does not show any shifted transfers.

I also examined the upper right pane of plate 9418, but no shifted transfers were disclosed to my careful scrutiny. The top margin was missing from the pane I looked over, so I cannot state the position of the "F" in front of the plate number. It was this pane I had in bright red-violet.

The lower left pane from plate 9419 shows the initials "J. T. F. S. S. I." on the left-side margin next to stamp No. 91. I have not had the opportunity for examining a complete pane.

The lower left pane from plate 9426 shows the initials "J. T. W. M. O. H. H." on the left-side margin next to stamp No. 91. I have not examined the entire pane.

These double sets of initials show that two operators worked on the entering of the stamp designs from the transfer rolls. This is not a common occurrence.

The lower left pane from plate 9427 shows the initials "C. A. H. O. H. H." on the left-side margin next to stamp No. 91. The entries on the transfer show that the transfer die used was worn considerably as all the stamps are poorly entered, due to this cause, I believe. When the transfer die is worn, heavier pressure of it is necessary to produce the desired result, and the entries disclose this heavier impress. In several subjects the pressure used caused faint shifts, and stamp No. 61 shows the shifting a little stronger.

The upper right pane from plate 9428 shows a small irregular "F" in front of top plate number—it looks like the "F" was placed on top of a dot or other mark. Stamps Nos 1, 5, 6, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21, 24, 30, 31, 32, 35, 37, 40, 41, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 52, 53, 54, 55, 58, 60, 70, 78 and 80 show slight shifts to left, similar to those described for the upper right pane from plate 9415. In the latter case I have not learned the initials of the transfer operator, nor have I for this plate (9428) unless they are "J. W. G.," which show on the lower right pane from this plate.

The lower right pane from plate 9428 shows the initials "J. W. G." in the right-side margin next to stamp No. 100, and these initials are "double transfer"! Quite a number of the stamps in the upper horizontal rows show slight shifts of the transfer to the left, but they are too numerous and too minor to mention separately. In fact, they are so faint or lightly shifted as to be almost imperceptible.

The lower right pane from plate 9429 shows the initials "J. R." on the right-side margin next to stamp No. 100. The entire pane was examined but no shifted transfers were disclosed.

The upper right pane from plate 9430 shows a peculiarly shaped mark (probably intended for an "F") in front of the top plate number. It looks like an inverted "N" with a period after it. It is probably an inverted "F" placed on top of a dot or other blotch. An examination of this pane shows it to be beautifully entered, every stamp sharp and clear, and there are no shifts.

The lower left pane from plate 9433 shows the initials "J. A. M." on the left-side margin next to stamp No. 91. The entire pane has been examined and very slight shifts to the right have been disclosed on all the stamps in the first vertical row at the left.

Two types of the "F" have been used on these plates, but I discovered this fact after the plate blocks had passed from my hands, so I am unable to tell on which plates the types occur. One "F", that most generally used, has serifs, while the other is sans-serif.

Two types of plate numbers also occur, but I also discovered this after the plate blocks had passed from my hands, and I cannot tell which plates had the differing types of numbers. I do recall, however, that plate 9414 had the figures very close together, while plate 9430 had larger figures further apart or better spaced.—*Hobbies.*

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UNITED STATES 30c, 90c 1857-60.

By ELLIOTT PERRY.

(*Continued from Page* 147.)

Given a sufficient amount of material, including pairs and strips, or blocks, and the 30c stamps could quite possibly be plated. If, as was originally intended, the stamp had been printed only in black, to reconstruct portions of the plate would not be extremely difficult. There are nearly forty double transfers—most of them distinguishable in black although too slight to be identified with certainty when in orange—at least half a dozen re-cuttings, and numerous irregularities in spacing which would assist anyone attempting to reconstruct the plate, but because of the orange color and the comparative scarcity of single copies as well as multiples, it is exceedingly unlikely that any attempt to reconstruct the whole plate could be successful.

The 90c stamp is two or three times as scarce as the 30c, but it would probably be much easier to reconstruct the 90c plate than that of the 30c. There are markings like scratches all over the 90c plate and hardly any two of the 90c stamps are exactly alike because the markings on each of them vary. These scratches are found on the margins of the stamps and on the stamp designs and beside, there are several reliefs, guide dots, double transfers and a pane line to aid the work of reconstructing the plate. It is quite possible there is enough material available or in existence to enable a collector with sufficient time and sufficient means to completely reconstruct the 90c plate.

Both the 30c and the 90c were in use only about one year and neither of them are at all easy to obtain on original covers. Genuinely used copies of the 90c are at least ten times as rare as unused copies. Too many of the "used" copies seen have cancellations that are doubtful if not quite fraudulent. Only one full cover bearing an undoubtedly genuine used 90c has come to the writer's attention, but there are several copies known on parts of original covers and there can be no question the 90c was in regular use. Pen struck copies are held in little esteem, except those bearing the Shanghai pen mark, which is in a peculiar magenta colored ink and is perfectly legitimate.

The reports of the Postmaster General as given by Luff state the quantities of these stamps issued to postmasters for the year ending June 30, 1861, to have been as follows:—

Quarter ending	30c	90c
Sept. 30, 1860	103,860	11,960
Dec. 31, 1860	105,960	6,200
Mar. 31, 1861	65,040	4,110
June 30, 1861	65,140	2,010
Totals	340,000	24,280

These figures are probably as great as the maximum quantities issued because it is doubtful if the quantities issued after June 30, 1861, until the appearance of the 1861 series were as great as the numbers of the 30c and 90c returned by postmasters after the 1861 series was issued. Some years later, however, stamp dealers obtained a supply of unused remainders of the 1857-60 series, including the 30c and 90c denominations. There appear to have been two lots "released" from the supply of remainders in the Post Office Department—one lot of 2,000 complete sets and another lot of 1,500 sets. Many of the unused specimens of the 1857-60 series in collections today are believed to have come originally from these lots. For many years these unused stamps were quite common and at times were sold at less than face value, the retail price often being one dollar per set of eight—face $1.75.

One of these lots was obtained about 1870 by F. Trifet, then a well known Boston dealer and it is stated that among the lot obtained by him were some of the 30c imperforates, including at least one block. Investigation by the present writer tends to confirm this statement. Trifet's lot may also have included imperforate 24c and 90c stamps but confirmation of this last supposition is lacking. There is evidence that all the imperforate 24c, 30c and 90c stamps did not come from the Trifet lot but there seems no doubt whatever that all of them in genuine, imperforate condition—except, perhaps the 24c in dull reddish lilac—were from the trial color sheets submitted to the Department for

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official approval of the shade selected. The Trifet lot of imperforate 30c is believed to have been part, or perhaps all, of what was left of the trial color sheet of that denomination in the Department when he obtained his other remainders.

Whether these imperforates were in the Washington post office or were in the Post Office Department at Washington does not appear. It is presumed they were then in the Department and not in the Washington post office, but of course they may have been in the post office previously and were returned to the Department after August, 1861. To the present writer it does not seem at all unreasonable to accept as a probable fact that the trial sheets of the three high values were actually turned in to the Washington post office, or even sent elsewhere, to be sold as stamps. Clearly, if the post office authorities choose to sell card board proofs, or trial impressions, or door mats, or tin whistles for postage stamps and accept same in payment of postage those articles are postage stamps just as much as if they had been made for no other purpose than to pay postage. What they were made for has nothing to do with the case. The only facts that count are whether or not they were sold and accepted for postage. If it can be shown that one 24c, one 30c and one 90c from the imperforate trial color sheets were legally sold and accepted for postage we cannot avoid accepting other copies from those sheets as genuine imperforate postage stamps, because no one can tell which were the copies sold.

After considerable study of the available data the present writer is of the opinion that some imperforate 24c and black 30c were certainly sold for postage, that some imperforate 30c orange were probably sold for postage and that some imperforate 90c were possibly sold for postage. The black 30c appears better entitled to recognition as a postage stamp than the imperforate 30c orange.

That the black 30c were printed for use as stamps is quite certain and that at least a few in imperforate condition were sold for postage—even though the sale may have been purposely restricted while the effectiveness of cancelling them was being determined—seems to the present writer more than probable. The large quantity printed is excellent proof that if there had been no difficulty in cancelling the black stamps there never would have been any orange 30c. It would appear that all the black 30c sold were from one or more imperforate trial sheets and that the sale of the black stamps was stopped before any perforated 30c were delivered by the printers. This is why the 30c black is known only in imperf. condition. If the post office officials were willing to sell imperforate 30c blacks from the trial sheets it is not hard to believe they also sold imperforate 30c orange and 24c and 90c imperforates from the trial sheets of those denominations.

Regarding the black 30c Luff's book contains the following reference,— * * * "Mr. Francis C. Foster states that, at the time he obtained his copy, he was told that it was a stamp and had been in use, and that shortly afterwards he made inquiry at the Washington post office and was informed that it was actually on sale at that office for a few days, but, because the cancellation did not show up well, the color was changed." If the reader will compare this statement with the correspondence between the Department and Toppan, Carpenter & Co. regarding the 30c stamps, he will be quite apt to agree Mr. Foster was correctly informed and that the 30c black should no longer be regarded as "only a proof". Because we cannot tell the stamps cut from the sheet and sold for postage from those that may have found their way into collections through other channels we should accept all the 30c blacks for what some of them are and for what all of them were for a few days—*postage stamps.* Some day a copy used on the original cover may be found.

Referring to the correspondence between Toppan, Carpenter & Co. and the Post Office Department reproduced in the Steinmetz Miscellany we note that the 30c denomination was first suggested in the Department's letter of June 1, 1860, together with a 15c which was never prepared. On June 4, Toppan, Carpenter & Co. suggested that the Franklin carrier stamp be altered to make a 30c denomination and that the Eagle carrier stamp be altered to make a 15c denomination. The design of the 30c was submitted on June 10th and approved on the 12th. On June 12th also a 90c stamp to bear the portrait of Washington was suggested by the Department. The first impression of the 30c was submitted on June 25th. This differed from the original drawing submitted on June 10th by having CENTS at the bottom replaced by the numeral "30" and was an "imperfect dry impression"—probably in black—from the die. A "proof impression" was submitted the following day and approved by the Postmaster General on June 27th.

On July 2nd part of a proof sheet, (from the plate), of the 30c was submitted and the Toppan, Carpenter letter of that date says,—"We also inclose an impression (half sheet) of the Twelve Cents plate that the Postmaster General may contrast the two and decide upon the propriety of printing the Thirty Cents in black. We have sought to make

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a distinct design that the mere distinction of color might be unnecessary, and we now await the orders of the Postmaster General in favor of our suggestion that black should be used." Reply was made from the Department on July 3rd,—"The Postmaster General, relying upon the distinct design for the Thirty Cents stamp as obviating the necessity of a distinctive color, approves your suggestion to print them in *black*. The chief objection on this color arises from the greater difficulty of cancelling them."

Allowing two weeks for printing and finishing the black 30c stamps would have been ready for use about July 18th, but it is exceedingly unlikely any of the large quantity printed for regular use were ever issued. Neither is there anything in the Steinmetz correspondence to prove beyond question that imperforate 30c blacks from the trial sheet or sheets were issued as stamps. We can only read between the lines. However, as the black 12c stamp had been in continuous use in quite large quantities for nine years it would not seem reasonable for the Department to condemn the 30c black without giving it a trial. For this and other reasons the present writer believes some of these black trial stamps were sold and used as an experiment to determine if they could be effectively cancelled; that the results were unsatisfactory, and that Toppan, Carpenter & Co. were notified to that effect.

Upon being notified of the situation it would appear the printers tried to overcome the difficulty but were not successful. Certainly it is not to be supposed they would have gone ahead and printed such a large quantity of these black stamps if they had not been confident the stamps could be effectively cancelled. Neither would they have printed so many black 30c if they had been experimenting with cancellations "on their own hook" as the saying is. They would have avoided as much loss as possible and printed few until they knew whether the black color would be satisfactory or not. The black 30c for regular issue were all printed between July 3rd and July 11th, 1860, and the issue of any trial imperforates was probably confined to that period.

On July 11, 1860, Toppan, Carpenter & Co. wrote the Department,—"We are reluctantly obliged to stop printing the Thirty-Cent stamp until further advice from the Postmaster General. We find that the objection to black, arising from the difficulty of cancelling the stamp, is likely to prove more serious than at first apprehended; and in order to give you a definite idea of this difficulty we inclose a half sheet of the denomination specified. The body of color is deeper and more generally diffused than is advantageous for cancellation. We believe that the inclosed buff tint could be more advantageously printed than any hue of yellow, and canceling such a stamp would be easy and thorough. We have printed already a large number in black, but we will readily submit to the loss in case the Postmaster General sees proper to order the buff color in its place. In such a case we can readily print the Ninety-Cent in black if it be acceptable, as we suppose the use of this rate will be comparatively limited."

(To be continued.)

A RARE ACHIEVEMENT.

A remarkable publishing triumph has come to our notice in the form of enlarged fac-simile die-proofs of every type of the Confederate general issues, in their approximate standard colors. When we beheld the contents of the envelope containing the set, our admiration for the genius that accomplished the feat of re-drawing the designs of the stamps and reproducing them in artistic style was unbounded. We make obeisance to Mr. August Dietz, who, with an infinitude of pains copied the stamps unto the uttermost detail of dot and dash from the best copies obtainable. The great Deats' collection was drawn upon for material as well as other collections. The work has required nearly a year and the results are a unique contribution, we believe, to the wealth of philatelic literature, let us say. These die-proofs are from copper engravings and the colors match the standards of the stamps as well as a printing on dead white paper will develop. We understand that the colors were first struck on creamy paper, as indicating age, and matched to the stamp and then white paper was employed. Now, when it is known that these die-proofs are a feature of the forthcoming work on Confederate stamps, under the authorship of Messrs. Dietz, Knapp, Curtis, Atherton and Ahern, all names to conjure with, anticipation certainly is whet to the keenest edge; and we shall await the finished product with every assurance that a complete historical exposition of the postal system of the Confederacy and its stamps will be forthcoming. In addition to the stamp proofs is a plate-proof "from an identified section of the De la Rue electrotype, an essay and portrait of Frank Baptist in 1862." Mr. Baptist printed the stamps in 1862 at the establishment of Archer and Daly, Richmond. Sets may be had with the De la Rue plate-proof autographed by Mr. Baptist for $3.50; and the price for the set otherwise is $2.50. Southern Publishing Company, August Dietz, President, P. O. Box 463, Richmond, Virginia. We have a "foreword" of the Story of the Post Office of the Confederate States of America and its Postage Stamps and next week after we have absorbed the magnitude of the work in hand, we shall speak of it. Meanwhile, we rejoice to think that there are men who can produce this wonderful work as shown by this fac-simile set of the die-proofs.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Before—It has been a long time since the American Philatelic Society has held a convention, previously, in St. Louis. In 1889, on October 7th, the members fore-gathered there and well we remember the ominous clouds that threatened to break at the sessions. Factional differences ran high and a battle royal was waged over the exchange department; and the administration of the department by Mr. E. B. Sterling was the chief object of attack. However, the storm preceded the calm and the soothing syrup was doled out in sufficient quantities to quiet the belligerents. Mr. Sterling was vindicated by re-election and quite properly the delegates forgot their differences in swearing fealty to the society. There were 666 members then and 439 of them were represented at the convention. Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer will be the only one present from out-of-town this year who was there in 1889, unless Mr. W. C. Michaels runs over from Kansas City. The present convention will be different in some respects from that of its predecessor and the principal change will be in the general viewpoint of the delegates. Now, philately in a national sense, with the personal equation almost negligible, will be the object of attention.

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Rational—In these days of collective movement, the reason for a convention becomes self-evident but the record of the American Philatelic Society of a convention each year since 1886 is an achievement. The purpose of the annual meeting is to meet the trend of opinion by making any advisable changes in the national society's internal workings with a desire to improve efficiency. Then comes the consideration of philately in its broadest meaning in order that measures might be adopted to fortify and extend its influence. The communion of philatelists when they are dominated by the thought of improvement is a pleasure to many. The tendency to bring out interesting stamps for purposes of exhibition, sale or exchange has been encouraged at recent conventions. Coming in August of each year, as the conventions have for some time past, they give a buoyancy to philatelic thought during a dull period ordinarily and soon after the conventions become history, the regular stamp season is about open. The stamp conventions are a good thing for philately and without them we would revert to the dark ages, almost.

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Returned—We have been receiving letters from returned soldiers and it is the common lament of our correspondents that they did not succeed in obtaining anything in the stamp line worthy of mention. One man says that the Paris shops evidently have been skinned of attractive United States for some time, as he did not have his modest expectation met of getting a few grills at favorable prices. Yet, he says that some time before, a fine copy of the inverted twenty-four cent of '69 was secured by an American officer at an advantageous figure. Another soldier who got around in the big towns says that it was always necessary to be on guard against the danger of acquiring a skilfully repaired stamp for a seemingly good specimen from the smaller dealers on the continent.

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Helpful—On August 12th, the Chicago *American* published a picture of Brigadier-General H. H. Bandholtz, in connection with some European news concerning the activity of General Bandholtz at a conference of the Allies. The *American* happened to know that the editor of the WEEKLY had a picture showing Generals Pershing and Bandholtz taken together as well as several of General Bandholtz alone and in return for the loan of the snap-shots in question, the newspaper was kind enough to mention philately in its sketch of General Bandholtz. Every time the word "philately" is printed in the newspapers a grain of sand is added to the philatelic foundation.

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Jokeful—Says a reader, "I do not wish to interrupt your profound deliberations but the hapless compositor (by-the-way, did you ever see a typo who beamed?) on one of the little monthlies set it up, 'Inhambone.' Can you not segregate a snicker out of this in view of the high cost of hog? Give it a clever headline,—something Baconian." The poor comp. knows too much about our frailties to be happy.

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Rough—Pollyanna personified in the philatelist. In feminine chirography comes the news: "My husband was morbid and frayed my sensitive soul by his gloomy fits of introspection. He got the stamp idea from Mr. Jacobs and now he is as happy as a boy with his sheets and albums and hinges and pots but even so, I sometimes wonder if it's for the best as he insists that I listen to things that he reads from your paper." Picture of "ye ed." with sweat rolling off of his head which is surrounded by radiating question marks, *a la* cartoon.

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Extra—From Nut Knoll where Count Lapp de Booz is resting after his strenuosities, some of which have been chronicled by us, we have heard that he is recuperating and that his wonderful mind is regaining its elasticity. It seems that the "guests" were in the parlor at their wonted pastime of philatelic puzzles. A prize was offered for the best philatelic palindrome and the Count offered "Oro" forgetting the "Rio de" for the time being, amid much applause. The reward was a copy of the snake stamp, St. Lucia, two pence, 1902-03.

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Forged—Is a poor watermark better than none? Mr. Ragatz sends a clipping: "Minneapolis, Aug. 9.—An alleged counterfeiter of stamps, K. C. Brewer, was arrested by the federal officer after the Minneapolis detectives had detained him as a result of Brewer's possession of a number of counterfeit stamps and an engraver's outfit, alleged to belong to him." Assuming that the current U. S. were the object of attention, it is recalled that it was a stamp counterfeiting case that was responsible for the adoption of the watermark in the 1895 issue.

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Scented—A reader showed us a collection that he acquired in a somewhat unusual way. A young lady discovered that he collected stamps, quite by chance, and observed that her mother had an old collection lying about the house that had been the property of an uncle who had died years ago in the Colombian Republic from where his effects had been returned. "No," the mother said, she "did not care to sell the collection because of a natural sentiment but as her daughter liked perfume she would give the book to the young man if he would buy Alys a bottle of perfume." He said that the perfume cost him twelve dollars and a half, which was just about the price, we imagine, of the superb No. 1, Denmark, that the collection, which was replete with other good things, contained. No stamps had been added to it since the seventies.

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Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

IMPERF. GREAT BRITAIN.

By PERCY MCG. MANN.

Not long ago I wrote about current British stamps unwatermarked and remarked that they were not listed in current catalogues. A recent advertisement in a London stamp journal (*Stamp Collectors' Fortnightly*) gives a long list of the later Victorian issues imperforate, and it is remarkable to state that one can search as one will in all catalogues and one will not find these imperforates listed.

Most of the WEEKLY's readers know that the catalogues list imperf. stamps that were never issued to the general public, altho' it is a foregone conclusion that the government issuing them received payment (in one way or another) for them, because the governments keep pretty accurate accounts of the "security" paper they use. In some instances, like the 2c U. S. 1893, Columbian issue, the imperforate stamps are the product of individual firms under government contract, but this cannot be said about the 1894 and 1895 U. S. imperforate issues. In other instances, the imperforates are errors, having gotten into circulation inadvertently without going through the perforating machines in the usual manner. The latter occurrences are not plentiful, altho' part perforates occur frequently enough.

It may not be out of the way to mention here an item offered for sale at auction at the A. P. S. convention in St. Louis. A vertical imperforate pair of 12c (so-called Scott's No. 401, altho' there is no reason, on the face of it, why it couldn't be No. 421, unless the color distinguishes it). The auction cataloguer says it is not listed—or catalogued.

The fact of the matter is, this imperforate vertical pair comes from a sheet of 100 that was otherwise *perforated*. In fact the pair was perforated at top and bottom and sides but not between, and the tell-tale "teeth" were cut off. In other words, ten perforating needles in the machine perforating the stamps horizontally (vertically in operation) failed to cut the perforations, thus leaving a pair, in the sheet, imperf. between. This is an illustration of how *some imperfs.* occur.

To get back to Great Britain. The following list of Scott's numbers come imperforate. I do not attempt to account for their issue, unless they are imprimature sheets that have come from the contracting stamp producers, after new contractors secured the work. Since the Victorian stamps of Great Britain are all demonetized—rendered unusable in the posts—no harm has been done if the above accounting is the correct solution of their issue. However, these imperfs. are entitled to catalogue rank along with others of their ilk already catalogued—or the whole lot should be deleted—U. S. as well as Great Britain.

The list is as follows:

1880-81. No. 78, ½d green, ½d pale green; No. 79, 1d red-brown; No. 80, 1½d red-brown; No. 81, 2d lilac-rose; No. 85, 5d indigo.

1881. No. 88, 1d lilac, 1d pale lilac; No. 89, 1d lilac.

1883-84. No. 96a, 2sh 6d lilac on bluish; No. 108a, 5sh rose on bluish; No. 109, 10sh ultramarine.

1884. No. 98, ½d slate-blue; Nos. 99 to 102, 1½d, 2d, 2½d, 3d lilac; Nos. 103 to 107, 4d, 5d, 6d, 9d, 1sh green.

1887-92. No. 111, ½d vermilion; No. 112, 1½d violet and green; No. 113, 2d green and carmine; No. 114, 2½d violet on blue; No. 115, 3d violet on yellow; No. 116, 4d green and brown; No. 117, 4½d green and carmine; No. 118, 5d lilac and blue; No. 119, 6d violet on rose-red; No. 120, 9d lilac and blue; No. 121, 10d violet and carmine; No. 122, 1sh green.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—We are indebted to W. A. Biechele, for a clipping from the *Sunday Repository*, of Canton, O., giving the story of the celebrated Saxton collection of that city. Accompanying the sketch is a picture of Mr. W. G. Saxton and a group of some of the rarities found in the collection. It is said to be one of the finest collections in the state.

—W. H. Wilkerson, Jr., informs us that he has heard from Walter Schardt, Wilkinsburg, Pa., and that his complaint is satisfactorily adjusted.

—Mrs. Oughtred informs us that the new "Prohibition" stamps issued in Canada are used to collect the Govt. tax of 5% on sales of liquors. The stamp is affixed when the sale is made, the customer paying for the stamp.

—W. H. L.—Try G. B. Calman, New York City, for the stamps desired. We cannot answer your second question, and advise you to write the publishers. It is customary to enclose a stamp, when a personal reply is desired.

—The Chicago *American* of August 12 contained a full-length picture of Gen. H. H. Bandholtz, who has been appointed on the Allied Mission to Budapest. As Provost Marshal General of the A. E. F., he has made his headquarters in Paris, directing the operations of the Military Police of the American Army in the allied nations and Germany. Under the cut in the *American* is the following, "The photograph from which the above was made was sent from France to C. E. Severn of this city, an old friend of the general's when Bandholtz was a bookkeeper here."

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from Wm. Praebsting, Wm. Hoffman (3), W. Hayward, Harold J. Snyder, Wm. H. Wilkerson, Jr., S. W. Blackburn, Alvin Johnson and Arthur Bruce Moss.

—*Philatelic Gossip*, formerly of Denison, Kansas, is now located at Siloam Springs, Ark., and publisher Dworak would like his patrons to note the change.

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PHILADELPHIA, PA., July 14, 1919.

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PERCY MCG. MANN.

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***Jugo Slavia,** S. H. S. on Hungarian 2h to 2k. 16 var.	4.25
Jugo Slavia, 3, 5, 10, 20, 25, 45	.35
***Lithuania** Jubilee, 5, 15, 35	.35
***Poland** (Cracow) 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 70,1k	.95
***Poland** on German surcharged Gen. Gouv. Warschaw and Poczta Polska, 10, 15, 20, 25 on 7½, 30, 40, 60	3.50
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*1892, 1 on 1p ..	.03	1904, 5c.....	.15
1901, 10c	.24	1909, 5c.....	.05
1902, 2c	.05	1913, 1, 2, 3, 5c	.09
1902, 5c	.09	WARS, 4 var.	.18

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—The most interesting items that have come to our attention during the last week is a set of the Cincinnati provisional NARCOTIC surcharges. These are surcharged in small purple capital letters by means of a rubber stamp. In a previous issue we mentioned that these stamps existed but at the time was not aware of the denominations, type, etc. A valued Cincinnati correspondent now favors us with a set consisting of the 1c Series of 1914 surcharged diagonally reading up from the lower left corner and the series of 1916, 1c, 2c, 3c, 4c, 5c, 8c, 10c, 25c and 50c surcharged normally horizontally. We are informed that less than a sheet of the 1c 1914 was surcharged and that these were all used on drugs before they were philatelically discovered. When finally noticed, a collector was able to salvage 32 copies all of which are of course used. Of the 1916 series we are informed that the surcharge was applied in a number of different ways, inverted, diagonal, etc. We have not been able to definitely learn as to whether the $1 and $2 were also surcharged.

Mr. Eugene Klein has shown us the $1, Second Issue of the Philadelphia provisional NARCOTIC surcharge, with double overprint, both horizontal.

1919 Cincinnati Provisional NARCOTIC Sur.
On Series of 1914.
1c rose.
On Series of 1916.

1c rose.	8c rose.
2c rose.	10c rose.
3c rose.	25c rose.
4c rose.	50c rose.
5c rose.	

Philadelphia Provisional NARCOTIC Surch.
Second Issue.
$1 green, double surcharge, both horizontal.

We have chronicled the documentary issue through the $30 surcharged provisionally "F. D." for "future delivery" use. Mr. H. W. Porter now informs us that the surcharge in the case of the $5, $10 and $30 values was applied to the documentary stamps of the "Series of 1914".

Mr. Eugene Klein has just shown us a most interesting collection, especially strong in odd cancellations. We noted off hand, the 5c and 10c 1847 with red town postmark, the 5c cancelled with a large block "5" within a circle, in black, a 5c in red dots, a strip of three and a strip of four on the same cover, of the 3c 1851. This was mailed in Washington on August 14, '55, and was addressed to France. A block of each and a number of strips of the 1c and 3c 1857, etc.

Mr. J. H. Houston sends for inspection an unusual block of 35 of the 1c Proprietary, First Series, perforated, precancelled "Ruth and Fleming—Baltimore". The block is from the lower left corner of the sheet and shows part of the "Butler and Carpenter" imprint.

We wish to thank Mr. Earl Harlon and Mr. Wm. M. Lauman for notes of interest. Mr. Lauman states that he has located the current 5c blue circular die envelope on buff. This we chronicled some months back on information from Washington. At the time we were unable to locate copies in collectors hands.

BATOUM.—Another surprise from Russia! According to M. Arthur Maury, a set of five distinctive postage stamps has been issued at this Black Sea port, the design showing a tree set in an ornamental frame, at the top of which is the inscription "Poste de Batoum," in Russian characters, with the figures of value in the lower corners.

We understand the following are the denominations issued, but would advise our readers to be cautious in handling any of these novelties, as at the moment we are not aware as to the circumstances under which they made their appearance:—

5kop green.
10kop blue.
50kop yellow.
1 rouble purple-brown.
3 roubles lilac.

—Stamp Collecting.

CANADA.—Messrs. Bright & Son advise that there has appeared the 1c green issued in coils perf. 12x imperf., with an additional two large hole perfs. at top and bottom. These were used in Toronto P. O. in Government Vending Machine for two days only in July, 1918, according to our correspondent.

EAST AFRICA AND UGANDA.—Messrs. Bright & Son report having seen the 4 on 6c with double overprint.

NICARAGUA.—Mr. Edwin W. Fuss has shown us a new provisional, this time it is the VALE CINCO CENTAVOS DE CORDOBA overprinted in black in three lines. At the same time Mr. Fuss shows us a block containing the error CINCOUN CENTAVOS and there is also an example of the "C" on Cinco dropped so low it appears almost on the line below. Other minor varieties are small "n" in Cinco.

In the recent surcharge of UN CENTAVO on 25c official, Mr. Fuss informs us stamp No. 67 in the sheet is UU instead of UN. The ½ on 50 with double surcharge, one inverted, is shown clipped at both ends and Mr. Fuss advises that it was one of its kind in a lot of 26,000.

NORTH BORNEO.—Mr. Edwin W. Fuss shows us a cover containing a copy of the current 25c stamp perforated

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Mr. Fuss explains that the stamp was for revenue till the stamp tax was removed then the stamps were authorized for postage.

JUGO-SLAV ON BOSNIA.—Messrs. Bright & Son report that they have seen one of the Bosnia 1912 type 6 heller overprinted in black with 10 heller, also S. H. S. and a black square over the Emperor's Head. We understand that this is one of the new series to be issued gradually.

SWEDEN.—Messrs. Bright & Son have shown us the following new issues for this country:—3 ore pale brown; Official, 3 ore pale brown.

URUGUAY.—We are indebted to Messrs. Bright & Son for the following:—"We have just received the following values in distinctly new shades, with the exception of the 23c which we do not think have previously been issued. Lithographed,

1c dull yellow green.
2c lake red.
5c very pale blue.
23c blue.

We also understand from our correspondent, that a new issue of a Pictorial design, showing View of Harbour City, and Mountain, is promised to be issued this month."

STAMPS TO REBUILD RHEIMS CHURCH.

(We do not recall having seen this item in the philatelic press. It indicates a charity stamp to be issued for the purpose of rebuilding the Rheims Cathedral. We print the news despatch as we find it.—W. O. W.)

COPENHAGEN, Aug. 4.—A world peace stamp has been issued in Copenhagen and 400,000,000 are to be printed for distribution all over the world.

The idea of raising funds this way to rebuild the Cathedral of Rheims comes from a Danish author, Mogensflack, and committees have been formed in different countries for carrying it out. The stamp is green with a picture of the cathedral, behind which is the word "Pax" on the sky, and below is the inscription, "Veritas, Libertas, Justitia."

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By COTTON C. DOYLE.

"Well," said Casey, "me boy has got the stamp fever at last, and botherin' the life out o' me he is with questions about them. What shall I do, or go crazy."

"'Tis about time," replied McVittles. "I had hopes that at least one of the Caseys would have brains enough to be a philatelist, or a near philatelist, or anyhow a stamp collector, and I congratulate both of you. Lock the front door and I will declare business off f'r the day and go into executive session with you while you tell me what are the rocks he is stubbin' his toe, and yours, against."

"The last pile of rocks," said Casey, "are what he calls secret marks that he finds, or thinks he finds, or can't find, on some old American stamps—three cent greens and Ben Franklin blue one centers, and red stamps, and yellow stamps, and purple stamps and every other color there is except magenta and mauve and apricot and persimmon and a lot more that I never heard of outside of his stamp catalog since the wife's cousin was in the house paintin' business over on South St., below 5th, second door from the corner, before he went to the Spanish War."

"And the colors and the secret marks and the paper he calls hard and another kind he calls soft and another kind I'd call mejum are all mixed up with jabber about a dozen or so stamp printin' outfits that called themselves bank note companies in order to make life unbearable for the fathers of juvenile stamp collectors. Stamp collectin' may be a science as I've heard you say, and almost believed it, but it starts off like fifty or a hundred and fifty jig-saw puzzles all mixed up at once, only worse."

"Be aisy," said McVittles. "'Tis not so desperate as you say. Listen for two minutes and four more and I'll give you a push over the hard goin' so you can coast the rest of the way down hill by yourself, and learn somethin'."

"That's what I'm here for, McVittles, so fire away and remember that a good gas wagon has a second speed and a low and don't run on high all the time lest you leave me behind, in the middle of the road, with a rock for a cushion."

"Good enough," said McVittles, "so here goes;—There are only three bank note companies to bother you and if you try hard and remember that the first and the second used mostly paper that was thinner, and harder, and snappier than what the third used, and that most of the stamps printed by the second and the third companies were just alike as regards secret marks, half your battle is over and won."

"Start with the outfit the boy calls the National Bank Note Company. At first their stamps had a grill on them, but they are mostly rare and needn't bother you now. Then comes the same stamps printed by the same outfit without any grill. Then come what your boy calls the Continental stamps, and most of them have the secret marks you're here to discover. After them came the American crowd and as this outfit had swallowed both the other companies they used the other fellow's plates, but mostly Continental plates until they had to make some of their own, and many of their own plates were just like the Continental plates and have the same secret marks. Is that clearer than mud?"

"Indeed, and it is, McVittles. Listen while I say it over and tell me if I've got it right. It goes like this,—National, hard paper; Continental, hard paper; American, soft paper. National, with grills and without 'em, but no secret marks; Continental, with secret marks; American, with secret marks. Now tell me the exceptions, for every rule is known by the exceptions it has, which have been the stickers since I was a b'y in school, and before then, too."

"Right you are, Casey. But when you have helped the boy pile up the National stamps in one pile, and the Continental stamps in another pile, and the American crowd's stamps in another pile, if you look at the stamps in each pile you will find many of the one-centers in each pile look just alike but different in shade from the one-centers in another pile, though they are all blue in all the piles. And the same will often be true of the two-centers, and the three-centers and the rest of them. By takin' notice of these shades like watchin' O'Hoolihan when he gives you the change from a five dollar bill you will be able to tackle the exceptions when they come along."

"Beginnin' with the one center; the secret mark is a little half moon in the little white bull's eye just ferninst the figure 1, at the left. On the two center it is supposed to be under the curley-cue beside U. S. You must have a good imagination to see it. If the stamp don't look as if it had a little mark there but is sort of reddish, I call it a National; but if it doesn't look reddish and I'm not sure whether it has a secret mark or not. I'm sure it ought to have one and a Continental it is."

"On the three center the tail of the ribbon under THREE is split in two and the upper point of the two is shaded heavily on its under side. But the National three center is shaded there, too, and you must have one or each of them to see which has the most shading, until you can tell them apart by the color."

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"If you look in the right place you can almost see the two dinky curved lines around the notches beside the big shaded ball in the lower right corner of the seven center with your eyes shut. The National seven centers are often quite reddish while the Continentals are always more orange. The mark on the ten center is also easy to find. Look for the little half moon in the white curley-cue below the E of POSTAGE. Some American ten centers have it and some of them don't. If I knew the reason I would tell you."

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"Every time I look for the secret mark on the fifteen center I feel just as if I was out huntin' for what Tommy called a menagerie lion. I can find it on many of the red orange stamps printed by the American Company, but on the light orange, or bright orange, or yellow orange, or just plain orange stamps on hard paper it's always just beyond the range of visibility. Once I paid ten dollars for a Continental die proof of the fifteen center and examined it fourteen hours a day for two weeks. A man who couldn't see at all could have found just as many secret marks or any other kind of marks on it that weren't on the National fifteen centers as I did. After that I gave it up."

"For your benefit, Casey, and the boy's, too, I will say that if you forget all about the invisible secret mark you can easily tell the Continental fifteen center. Once upon a time a feller who goes by the interestin' name of Useless Power wrote a book about American postage stamps which was a most remarkable book. F'r its size it contained less misinformation than any book on U. S. stamps ever written or thought of. Speakin' of the Continental fifteen center it says, 'the white portions of the stamp are whiter.' That's the best thing in the book and if I talked about the fifteen center for fifteen months I couldn't tell you as much."

"The twenty-four centers do not have any secret mark. They were all printed from the National Company's plate. The Continental Company put secret marks on the National die but never used the die except to print a few proofs. If you look on one of their proofs in the right place you will see the marks as plain as can be. Neither myself nor anybody else knows whether any of the stamps the Continental Company printed from the National plate, except those made for specialists and therefore called special printings, were ever issued. F'r this reason foolishness it is and nothing else to say the Continental twenty-four center is bluish like the three cent Justice on soft paper, or any other shade. Maybe there was one Continental shade, or two, or five. The only fellows who know how many shades there were and what they looked like are dead, and have been for years. Maybe Conan Doyle or Michael K. Lombroso knows how to ask them. I don't."

"The secret mark on the thirty center has been discovered over three hundred times, each time in a different place. I never could find it on the Continental die and so I never looked on the stamps. Anyhow, all the thirty cent stamps on hard paper were printed from the National plate and even if you could find the secret mark on the die, you couldn't find it on the stamps."

"The ninety center is in the other end of the same ocean liner with the twenty-four. The secret marks were put on the die but the Continental crowd never used the die except to print some proofs. Every last one of these proofs show the secret mark plainly. All the red ninety centers, and the purple beauties, too, were printed from the same National plate. The National nineties are darker than those believed to be Continentals. Some Continental nineties were certainly issued. They have a rosy look, somewhat like the lighter shades of the soft paper American red nineties."

"Now if you can remember all that you can answer over ninety per cent. of the questions the boy may ask you about secret marks, but if you get stuck come and see me again. By that time I may have discovered that some of the Continental twenty-four centers were really issued. Anything is possible in love, politics and stamp collectin'. Enough twenty-four centers that were Continentals accordin' to the fellers who sold them have changed hands since McKinley was elected to almost elect William J. Bryan president of Russia, if he ran often enough."

"What are you gettin' at, McVittles? Don't you think any of the twenty-four centers sold for Continentals were Continentals at all, or what?"

"Here's what I'm gettin' at, Casey; the percentage of real Continentals among the twenty-four centers that have been sold for Continentals might vary a little more or a little less, but the limit is far too low to cause cheerin' or to be cheerin'."

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"I hate to tell you, Casey, but it's less than 2.75."

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RESULT OF ELECTION.

Total ballots cast, 474. Defective ballots, 7.

J. E. Scott, Michigan, 463; Dr. H. A. Davis, Colorado, 457; J. E. Dengler, Pennsylvania, 440; Alvin Good, Ohio, 438; H. B. Phillips, California, 438; F. S. Parmelee, Neb., 329; H. A. Whipple, Neb., 285; H. H. Wilson, New York, 222; W. P. Wherry, Neb., 212; J. B. Leavy, Washington, D. C., 205; T. R. Hungerford, D. C., 169; H. F. Dunkhorst, D. C., 145; Scattering, 45. In view of the published declination of Dr. Carroll Chase to accept a nomination for president of the A. P. S., the votes cast for him for director were not considered. The first nine candidates named are elected as directors.

Total number of proxies, 376. Invalid, 8.

The large holders of proxies were Messrs. Ault, Bollman, Eaton, Severn and Wolsieffer, with the limit, 50 each.

The newly elected president, H. H. Wilson, was called upon and with an expression of thanks took the chair. Mr. Wolsieffer asks for a recess of five minutes in memory of John Walter Scott, our departed president. Mr. Diamant introduced the Hon. Colin Selph, postmaster of St. Louis, who made the trip from his summer home in Michigan, 560 miles distant from St. Louis, solely to redeem a promise made to Mr. Diamant to bid the stamp folks welcome. The postmaster's address was a remarkable one and he held the undivided attention of all. His ringing words, which were not devoid of occasional philatelic allusion, were a plea for good citizenship, the need of the nation.

After the customary motions had been carried to dispense with some of the formalities, reports of officers (that of the secretary showing some increase in membership) and standing committees were in order; and suggestions and recommendations that were in them were referred to the different committees that were to be appointed. When adjournment was ordered, the business of the convention was well under way.

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The Wednesday sessions were held on the steamer Saint Paul, as it plied the Mississippi River north to Alton and Piasa, ample space having been provided for the use exclusively of the members. In the morning, the president appointed the usual committees and their data was assigned to them. Telegrams of greeting, communications and further reports were read and the sentiment of the members was gained for the guidance of the committees by a discussion of the projects that were to be reported upon. It proved that this plan materially facilitated the work of the convention and it was encouraging to note that an evident desire was manifest to work in unison without violating personal convictions. After an appetizing luncheon, the afternoon session was called to order and the work done concerned the internal workings of the society, chiefly. There were interesting discussions on the subject of sales department, life memberships, etc. The resumption of the payment of dues of members in the naval and military service of the country was ordered with the fiscal year which is just being entered upon. A motion to instruct the secretary to order a suitable certificate to be issued to life members of the A. P. S. was followed by a demand for about twenty life memberships on the part of

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Providence, Rhode Island, whose cause was espoused by Mr. A. B. Slater of that city, was the unanimous choice for the seat of the 1920 convention; and it was thought that the selection was a happy one, in view of the invitation by the local society there to the national organization.

We suspect that the Resolutions Committee, Messrs. Good, Davis and Severn, which asked leave to present a resolution outside of its report, as it were, perpetrated a joke in recommending an endorsement of the League of Nations. The measure stirred discussion before it was withdrawn by Dr. Davis of the committee, amid a fusillade of verbal bombs by Messrs. Hatfield, Wolsieffer, *et al.* This was a bit of spice in the love-feast.

The group picture was taken on the upper deck of the steamer, and with the splendid background afforded, it became a novelty in philatelic convention photographs.

The Thursday morning and final session was a model of effective working. Elsewhere, the more important details of this and the preceding sessions have been commented upon. A resolution to brand on the backs, counterfeits found in the books of the sales department was laid on the table after some discussion. Likewise, the proposal to renumber the membership in order to fill in the voided numbers was held in abeyance in order that any underlying objection to the plan might be sought for. By resolutions, the Lookout Committee and Publicity Committee were created. The secretary was instructed to attend to the removal of the accumulation of back numbers of the official journal, etc., now stored by Mr. H. E. Deats, Flemington, New Jersey, when it became necessary to transfer the lot.

In behalf of Mr. W. C. Stone, Springfield, Mass., Mr. Wolsieffer introduced the motion to adjourn *sine die*, after thanks had been voted to the press of St. Louis and its hosts and hostesses.

Stamp Exhibits.

The auction sale was a success and prices were in keeping with the times.

A fine lot of stamps was shown in collections and otherwise. Dr. W. I. Mitchell of Wichita, Kansas, brought his U. S. collection and his admirable line of U. S. revenues, embracing an exceptionally complete range of private proprietaries, commanded praise. The wonderful special collection of Greece, the property of Mr. J. H. Pullen, Houma, La., was a feature that impressed those who examined it. Mr. H. A. Diamant's splendid collection of Mexico proved a revelation of the thoroughness of advanced specialism; and his enthusiasm for his specialty knows no bounds. Mr. H. D. Hammatt's U. S., with its study of ten cent green, first design, was a sight for critical eyes and Mr. E. R. Jacob's United States collection of earlier issues, was better than ever before. The showing made by the one cent, first design, of the one cent blue was a marvellous tribute to persistent and studious application. A frame of seven or eight St. Louis provisionals, five and ten cents, on covers, addressed to one of the ancestors of the exhibitor was shown as well as a type-set St. Louis provisional local. In a private way, many thousands' worth of stamps changed hands and the browsers found the pickings good. Certainly, all's well with stamps.

Attendance.

Including members and applicants, there were fifty-four present during one or more sessions of the convention. This number, with the thirty-eight visitors, made an aggregate number of ninety-two. There were, for instance, sixty-three faces on the group picture. The following members or applicants came from a distance: Stanley B. Ashbrook, Cincinnati, O.; Geo. A. Bell, Grand Rapids, Mich.; C. A. Burner, Normal, Ill.; Hugh M. Clark, New York; Dr. H. A. Davis, Denver, Colo.; H. S. Dickey, Newton, Kansas; Z. Dworkowski, C. F. Heyerman, J. D. Hubel, Chas. C. Keller, J. E. Scott and Arthur C. Wood, all of Detroit, Mich.; Alvin Good and L. A. Hanford, Cleveland, O.; D. T. Eaton, Muscatine, Iowa; L. J. Flerlage, Nowood, Ohio; J. A. Galbraith, New York; D. C. Hammatt, Topeka, Kansas; Chas. E. Hatfield, Boston, Mass; J. C. Hoffstetter, Erie, Pa.; E. R. Jacobs, Charles Schlieckert, C. E. Severn, all of Chicago; A. A. Jones, Herrin, Ill.; W. I. Mitchell, Wichita, Kansas; Shirley Moisant, Kankakee, Ill.; Vahan Mozian, New York; J. H. Pullen, Houma, La.; S. W. Richey, Cincinnati; W. C. Kennett, Hazlewood, Ohio; A. B. Slater, Slocums, R. I.; H. A. Meyer, Evansville, Ind.; C. N. Smith, Madison, Ill.; E. T. Wallis, Indianapolis, Ind.; H. H. Wilson, New York; P. M. Wolsieffer, Philadelphia, and Wilson D. Wood, Kansas City, Mo.; and Mrs. Lily Aldrich, Benson, Minn.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—Otto Weismann informs us that Germany has issued a new surcharged set of stamps for the occupied parts of Russia in the provinces of Suwalki, Kowno and Kurland. The towns of Wilna, Libau and Mitau are named as being thus favored. The 3, 5, 10, 20, 40pf of the current set have been overprinted "Postgebiet — Ob. Ost. — Oberbefehlshaber". The inscription means "Postal Zone of the Chi f Commander in the East."

—Senator Wm. M. Calder of New York has introduced a bill providing for a special stamp to commemorate the 300th anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims, which occurs next year.

—*Howard Beach, N. Y.*—If the subscriber who sent us a dollar order for books, etc., will send us his name we shall be very glad to fill the order at once.

—We have received several clippings from Herman W. Boers of Detroit, Mich., but they are not closely enough related to philately for us to reprint. We are greatly obliged for many courtesies extended by various subscribers

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—J. W. Lafferty informs us that the illustration on the current dollar stamps of China represents the Arch of the Temple of Confucius at Peking, China. His authority is "The Spell of China" by Archie Bell.

—Two interesting clippings are at hand from Wm. Bigelow. They are taken from the Phila. (Pa.) *Public Ledger*. One states that the Sultan of Egypt recently sent $400 to Eugene Klein of that city in payment for eleven rare Egyptian stamps. The article goes on to say that the Sultan possesses the most valuable collection of Egyptian stamps in the world. The other clipping deals with Paderewski and a new Polish stamp. The new stamp is illustrated, showing a picture of Paderewski. Dr. S. J. Gittelson helps the *Ledger* out with this bit of news which must prove of material value to stamp collecting.

—As we go to press we are advised by Henry Hooreman that the new 10c red Belgium issued on July 19 and of which 25,000 copies were issued, was sold out in five or six days. Only five copies were sold to a person. Sheets of this stamp consist of five rows of five stamps each, with a small control figure 1, 2, 3, or 4, while sheets also have been issued without any control number. The 25c blue Liege stamp also issued July 19 was exhausted after a few days' sale. Mr. Hooreman also states that new stamps are appearing for Fiume bearing the words "Posta Fiume" instead of "Fiume".

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from Herman W. Boers, Joseph C. K. Wells, Geo. Clothier, Jr., P. F. Sabine, Howard Prine, W. A. Royce, James F. Hamill and Jos. A. Steinmetz.

A PHILATELIC DICTIONARY.

By B. W. H. POOLE.

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SIMPLIFIED COLLECTING.—A collection formed on simplified lines by the elimination of watermark, perforation and shade varieties or, in its extremest form, eliminating everything except actual types.

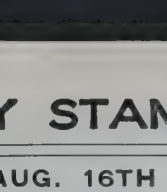
SINGLE C A.—A watermarked device consisting of a Crown over the letters C A found in connection with many British colonial stamps. It is so-called to distinguish it from a similar device, much used of recent years, in which parts of more than one crown and the letters are shown on one stamp, this latter being known as "Multiple C A".

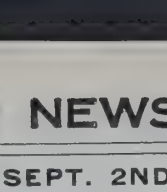
SINGLE-LINE MACHINE.—This is the style of perforating machine which makes only one row of holes at a time.

SINGLE-LINE WATERMARK. — This is self-explanatory and refers to watermarked figures, letters, etc., composed of a single line as distinguished from those which are double-lined.

SIRMOOR.—A feudatory state of India situated in the lower Simla Hills. Postage stamps were first issued in 1879.

SKILLING.—The value in which the early stamps of Norway, Denmark and Iceland were expressed. A skilling was worth a trifle more than a half cent in American money.





SKILLING BANCO. — The early stamps of Sweden bore values in skilling banco, 48 of which were equal to a riksdaler. The skilling banco was worth a little more than 1c in United States currency.

S. L.—These letters signifying "Sierra Leone" are shown in the lower part of the design of the large stamps now current in this British colony.

SLD.—An abbreviation for Soldi shown on many of the stamps of Austrian Italy.

S. L. M.—These initials are shown at the bottom of the design of the 1¼sch stamps issued in Holstein in April, 1864. They refer to the currency which was based on that of Lauenburg, i. e., "Schilling Lauenburgische Münze".

S. M.—An overprint found on certain stamps of South Australia used between 1868 and 1874 upon the correspondence of the Stipendary Magistrate. These special stamps were superseded by the "OS" series in 1874.

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EDITORIAL.

Success—The convention of the American Philatelic Society recently held at St. Louis was an unqualified success in its manifold aspects and the delegates are unanimous in their expression of opinion that the constructive measures adopted at the sessions indicate that the field of usefulness of the organization will be greatly broadened. The old conservative attitude of the A. P. S. which it must be admitted has given a substantial foundation for work which now has its inception will give way to an alert and aggressive policy. The influence of the body will be felt in channels that generally have been avoided and modern ideas will be depended upon to expand the interest in collecting and protect philately from unjust, even if unpremeditated enactment of any kind whatsoever. Now that the society has found itself and realizes its power and is prepared to use it, the objections to what has been called the passive tendency of the body will be suspended until time for the working out of plans has passed. The transactions of the conventions had an excellent setting in the entertainment furnished by the indefatigable labors of the St. Louis men to whom lavish praise is due. They provided a ceaseless round of pleasure and the admixture of business and play made the occasion most enjoyable. At the morning and afternoon sessions on the all-day boat ride on the Mississippi more telling work was done than at the whole of some of the previous conventions, as the members had nothing to distract their attention except the beauties scenically along the river and those nearer at hand.

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Outstanding—While the attendance was not large and, as usual, the expectations of the local committee were somewhat disappointed, it was representative. The workings of the convention were so harmonious that no proxy vote was required. The appointment of two committees, a "Lookout" Committee and a Publicity Committee was an important step. The first was created by virtue of a resolution that a committee of three be empowered to use its influence to combat harmful legislative or other enactment against the interests of philatelists and the Publicity Committee will establish a bureau where philatelic material may be obtained by members for insertion in the newspapers and press generally who are to get in touch with their local papers; and a clipping bureau will keep a record of the notices that appear through their instrumentality. No doubt, the committee will seek to start an advertising campaign including the plan of syndicating matter of newsy or instructive kind. The possibilities of this plan of publicity embrace the activities of the former Educational Committee but are not supposed to overlap the duties of the Recruiting Committee. The appointees on the Publicity Committee are Mr. H. A. Diamant, St. Louis, Mr. Alvin Good, Cleveland, Ohio, and Mr. Ralph C. Eilers, St. Louis. It would seem that a wise selection has been made by President Wilson and in any event, the committee will organize with these men. The subject of publicity will be considered in all of its ramifications and it is not necessary to detail here the avenues of advance that are open. Never before has the society had so graphic an object lesson of the value of publicity as during the convention just closed. A tribute must be paid to the ability and acumen of Mr. Maas, who handled the news end of the convention for all of the St. Louis papers in a directing sense. He secured the publication of so many stories in the papers that the voume of publicity was unprecedented. Illustrated interviews and stamp articles abounded and the climax came in an editorial in the good old *Globe-Democrat*, entitled "Joyous Stamp Collectors," which is about the best thing of its kind that we ever read. Truly, one of the most telling features about the 1919 convention of the American Philatelic Society was the amount of space that the St. Louis papers devoted to it.

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Progress—A forward step was taken in the naming of the Lookout Committee and the first work that it will undertake is the revocation of the limitations governing the illustrating of United States postage stamps, in particular, in the various publications that for philatelic reasons find the reproduction in black of the stamps necessary for an intelligent understanding of the text. While this committee already has had referred to it a measure that will test its mettle which contemplates the revision of the regulations by congressional action in all probability, yet as the name of the committee implies, it is to act for the A P. S. against unwarranted interference with the liberty of philately. This committee may act with committees of similar kind if appointed by other bodies, if it deems such a course advisable; and its function, in a few words, is to take proper steps to safeguard our pursuit when aggressions are made against it, by backing up the protest registered in the name of the American Philatelic Society. The committee is mobile enough to ensure action of some sort through marshaling the forces of the organization against obnoxious, even if unpremeditated, regulation, local or national. The personnel of the committee is singularly strong: Mr. Charles E. Hatfield, chairman; Senator E. R. Ackerman, Plainfield, New Jersey, and Mr. H. F. Colman, Washington. It is fortunate that the influence of men of this type is available as a motive power. Mr. Hatfield, by his standing and long experience in what may be called legislative affairs, is a fitting selection, while that of Senator Ackerman and Mr. H. F. Colman cannot be improved upon as co-workers in this field. It should be known that changes of this kind are not accomplished without tactful procedure and should it become necessary for the individual members to co-operate in some way with the committee a whole-hearted response is expected. If the society is not to drift, some hard tugging at the oars is necessary and all the members must support the recommendations of the committee, should any be made in the course of time. We say that the equipment of A. P. S. has been most effectively strengthened by the birth of this committee.

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Political—There were few contests for office at the election and at the published request of Dr. Carroll Chase, who declined the nomination as president, the ballots cast for him were not considered. The Omaha Board of Vice-Presidents was re-elected over the Washington candidates and Mr. J. E. Dengler becomes a member of the board of directors as international secretary as a consequence of the death of Mr. Kjellstedt. Perhaps, due to the absence of any political competition, the members did not bestir themselves to send in their proxies as all too few came to hand; and only 370 members were represented. The chief change in the appointive officers is indicated by the firm refusal of Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer to succeed himself as superintendent of sales. There are a number of aspirants for this office in which Mr. Wolsieffer has served faithfully for many years and we have no doubt but that the directors will make a wise appointment. The board will have a problem in considering the resignation of Mr. J. B. Leavy as editor of the official journal as at the request of the society Mr. Leavy made stipulations that may best be considered by deliberation with the board as the question of retaining the services of Mr. Leavy developed several angles. Mr. Leavy

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The directory for 1882-83 lists the Seward Match Manufacturing Co., Chas. Bush, proprietor, Geo. O. Seward, manager, at the Hamilton Ave. address. It is not at all unlikely this Bush is the Chas. Busch who used a private die stamp for a few months at just this time. Mr. Bush or Busch is not listed as a resident of Trenton.

The directories for 1882-83 to 1884-85 list the Trenton Match Co., Geo. F. Wilson, proprietor, Geo. O. Seward, manager, at the Chambersburg address and the same data is given in 1885-86, except that Asa F. Skirm is the proprietor. In 1886-87, the firm appears as the Seward Match & Paper Box Co., Geo. O. Seward, proprietor, and in 1887-88 Geo. O. Seward is listed as a match manufacturer at the Trenton Match Factory, same address.

Regarding the Trenton stamp the Boston Book states:—

First issued, April 19, 1881.
Last issued, Feb. 28, 1883.
210 stamps per sheet (15x14).
7,770,000 issued in blue on watermarked paper.

The stamp is a horizontal rectangle of the standard 1c size and was engraved and printed by the Bureau at Washington. The coat of arms of New Jersey are featured in the center, TRENTON MATCH CO. appears above, TRENTON, N. J. at the bottom and a small numeral "1" is in each corner. ONE at the left and CENT at the right appear in large open capitals. The plate number is found below the four stamps in the lower right corner of the sheet and reads "Trenton Match Co. No. 238" in script, backwards, having been engraved forwards in the lower left corner of the plate.

The total issue, 37,000 sheets, is just 1,000 sheets more than that of the H. Leigh stamp, which was in use in Trenton at the same period about half a mile distant from the Trenton Match Co. factory.

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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—In our chronicle of August 9, 1919, we mentioned that the 1c and 2c rotary plates from which the recent compound were printed, were all marked "S 30" and explained in detail what this marking signified. It was assumed that those plates marked "S 20" and "S 40" were destroyed long before the Bureau started to save the defective runs from the rotary press. Mr. Arthur E. Owen, however, now advises us that he has located the 2c value from an "S 20" plate. We would not be greatly surprised to learn later on that some of the 3c value in the type I have been found with compound perforations.

If the Post Office Department finally instructs the postmasters in the larger cities to overprint the 3c envelopes on hand "2 Cents" and the 2c postal cards "1 Cent," and it certainly looks as if they will, it means that we are in for a larger number of provisional varieties than we have ever known from any of the first class stamp issuing countries. As is always the custom of the WEEKLY, we will endeavor to give our readers as early and as full information as possible. In such a case we cannot look to Washington for our information but must depend on our many valued correspondents throughout the country to send us samples of all types issued. We will compile a list which we will want to make as complete as possible and will gladly reimburse our readers if they will obtain the varieties for us; or better still, we will send them provisionals from this end of the country.

Speaking of envelopes, Mr. W. A. Sisson sends us a copy of the 3c envelope, circular die, showing a clear double impression. One of the stamps is about 3 mm. from the other. The envelope collector has indeed been having a merry time here of late.

Dr. George H. Smith sends for our inspection a copy of the 4c documentary surcharge in purple in small capital letters NARCOTIC. This was taken from a Mallinkrodt product and evidently is a St. Louis provisional. We have not seen the St. Louis series and would be glad to receive information on the subject. We expect to publish very shortly a very interesting list of the narcotic provisionals known to date. These include those from Baltimore, Cincinnati, Detroit, Los Angeles, New York and Philadelphia. Did any of the other cities issue these? How about Boston, Cleveland, New Orleans, Atlanta, San Francisco, etc.? Can any of our readers throw light upon the subject?

Mr. Warren P. Ware is the first to show us one of the new "strip" Narcotics. He sends us the 1c printed in purple, rouletted, 4 in. long by ¼ in. high. On this stamp the word "Narcotic" runs horizontally the entire length of the stamp in colorless letters with "United States" above and "Internal Revenue" below. At each end we find a figure "1" with the word "Cent" curled around it. Your editor assumes, that in view of the fact that these are only issued in the 1c denomination, although in four sizes, that the tax must be paid partly by these strip stamps which are wrapped around the container so that the stamp will be broken when the container is opened and the balance of the tax by the regular surcharged stamps.

We note from a clipping in the daily papers of August 14th that the first delivery of mail from a seaplane to a steamer at sea was made successfully on that day when C. J. Zimmerman flew over the Liner Adriatic two hours after she had left her dock and dropped on her deck a mail bag of about 100 pounds. The experiment was made under the direction of the New York post office, which proposes to make such deliveries a regular feature of its foreign mail service.

We wish to thank Messrs. James B. McKay, D. C. Alexander and H. J. Carter for additional notes of interest.

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CZECHO-SLOVAKIA.—The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us two added values that we have not before mentioned. They are 25h lilac and 75h green.

GERMANY.—We are indebted to the Economist Stamp Co. for submitting copies of the 10, 15 and 25 Nationalist stamps. They are of different types although of the size and each has the words "Deautsche National Versammling" together with the date "1919". The colors are red, brown and blue, and green and red, respectively.

GRENADA.—*The West Indian*, in reporting the Postal Surtax (Repeal) Ordinance, says:—"The Governor explained that the object of putting the Ordinance in force by the end of June was because the Penny Postage between the United States and the Windward Islands would come into force by July. In that case it would not be right to give the United States an advantage in one direction, while we were penalizing other islands under the Postal Surtax Ordinance."—*Stamp Collecting.*

LA GEORGIE.—The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us a set of the stamps of this country mentioned in our issue No. 1487. There are three values: 40 scarlet, 60 crimson and 70 lilac. There is also another which we presume is the 1R although there is no value mentioned on the stamp. The first three are square shape and in the middle a warrior is shown sitting on the back of a spirited horse. Directly behind are two suns and five other lesser lights. The 1r is yellow-brown in color and is a trifle longer in height.

POLAND.—The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us the following new stamps of this country: 10f dark mulberry; 15f red, head of Paderewski; 20f brown, head of Trampezynski; 25f olive, head of Piesudski; 50f bluish green, eagle watching a ship; and 1m purple, eagle resting on battle axes and spear. The stamps are of different designs and shapes and all have the labels

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There was a majority of votes cast for raising the dues to $1 annually and in favor of allowing Canadian directors to run as candidates for directors of the Association.

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1867
5c, No. 20 .... .04
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1873-76
1c, No. 22a ... .03
4c, No. 23 .... .02
60c, No. 25 .... .12
8c, No. 34 .... .03
1878-80
16c, No. 35 .... .05
20c, No. 36 .... .12
24c, No. 37 .... .07
2c, No. 38 .... .02
1882-88
*½c on 5c,No. 41 .10
1c, No. 44 .... .06
1c, No. 53 .... .02
12c, No. 54 .... .07
24c, No. 56 .... .07
30c, No. 65 .... .12
12c, No. 73 .... .05
1890-91
40c, No. 80 .... .04
50c, No. 81 .... .08
8c, No. 85 .... .13
1901-3
12c, No. 138 ... .08
4c, No. 142 ... .12
6c, No. 143 .... .08
1908-10
3c, No. 147 ... .02
4c, No. 148 ... .03
10c, No. 151 ... .03

BOLIVIA.

1878
10c, No. 21 .... .03
20c, No. 22 .... .05
50c, No. 23 .... .50
1887
1c, No. 24 .... .02
2c, No. 25 .... .02
5c, No. 26 .... .02
10c, No. 27 .... .03
1890
*1c, No. 28 .... .03
*2c, No. 29 .... .04
5c, No. 30 .... .03
50c, No. 33 .... .40
100c, No. 34 ... .70
1897
*1c, No. 47 .... .02
*2c, No. 48 .... .06
5c, No. 49 .... .02
10c, No. 50 .... .03
20c, No. 51 .... .06
1899
1c, No. 62 .... .03
2c, No. 63 .... .03
5c, No. 64 .... .04
10c, No. 65 .... .02
20c, No. 66 .... .06
50c, No. 67 .... .15
1p, No. 68 .... .50

BRAZIL.

1866
*10r, No. 53 ... .05
20r, No. 54 .... .05
50r, No. 56 .... .06
80r, No. 57 .... .08
200r, No. 59 ... .07
1876
50r, No. 63 .... .08
200r, No. 66 ... .05
500r, No. 67 ... .40
1878
10r, No. 68 .... .03
20r, No. 69 .... .03
50r, No. 70 .... .03
80r, No. 71 .... .25
200r, No. 73 ... .13
260r, No. 74 ... .75
300r, No. 75 ... .08
1898-99
*100r, No. 129.. .75
2000r, No. 158.. .12
1905
50r, No. 168 .... .05
100r, No. 169... .06
200r, No. 170 .. .04
300r, No. 171 .. .06

CHILE.

1877
1c, No. 20 .... .04
10c, No. 23 .... .07
20c, No. 24 .... .12
1883-92
20c, No. 31 .... .02
50c, No. 32 .... .10
15c, No. 33 .... .03
25c, No. 34 .... .03
1p, No. 35 .... .05
1899-1900
30c, No. 38 .... .15
1c, No. 39 .... .03
10c, No. 42 .... .03
20c, No. 43 .... .08
50c, No. 44 .... .06
5c, No. 45 .... .04
1901-2
30c, No. 46 .... .10
1c, No. 47 .... .02
2c, No. 48 .... .02
10c, No. 50 .... .03
10c, No. 54 .... .03
30c, No. 55 .... .03
50c, No. 56 .... .40
1903
10c on 30c,No.57 .05
1c on 20c, No.58 .03
2c, No. 59 .... .02
5c, No. 60 .... .03
10c, No. 61 .... .03
12c, No. 67 .... .04
1905
3c, No. 70 .... .03
*3c, No. 70 .... .05
*12c, No. 73 .... .50
15c, No. 74 .... .03
20c, No. 75 .... .02
30c, No. 76 .... .03
50c, No. 77 .... .03
1910
5c on 12c, No.79 .05
10c on 1p, No.80 .07
1908-10
15c, No. 153 ... .02
20c, No. 154 ... .06
24c, No. 155 ... .06
12c, No. 167 ... .04
1911-12
12c, No. 178 ... .02
3c, No. 182 ... .02
4c, No. 183 ... .03
3c, No. 192 ... .03
4c, No. 193 ... .03
10c, No. 195 ... .02
20c, No. 197 ... .03
30c, No. 199 ... .04
50c, No. 200 ... .06
1p, No. 201 ... .12
1916-17
1c, No. 216 ... .03
2c, No. 217 ... .03
5c, No. 220 ... .02
10c, No. 221 ... .05
12c, No. 222 ... .03
50c, No. 226 ... .20
3c, No. 234 ... .02
10c, No. 237 ... .02
1901 Official
*1c, No. 381 ... .02
*2c, No. 382 ... .02
*5c, No. 383 ... .03
*10c, No. 384 .. .05
*30c, No. 385 .. .10
*50c, No. 386 .. .20
*5c, No. 403 ... .05

BOLIVIA.

1901
1c, No. 70 .... .02
2c, No. 71 .... .01
5c, No. 73 .... .01
10c, No. 74 .... .02
20c, No. 75 .... .03
2b, No. 76 .... .50
1909
*1c, No. 82 .... .02
5c, No. 84 .... .02
10c, No. 85 .... .03
20c, No. 86 .... .06
50c, No. 87 .... .20
1b, No. 88 .... .45
2b, No. 81 .... .90
1910-12
5c. No. 92 .... .02
10c, No. 93 .... .05
5c on 2c, No. 95 .03
2c, No. 98 .... .03
5c, No. 100 ... .05
10c on 1c,No.101 .05
1913-16
8c. No. 106 ... .03
10c, No. 107 ... .03
50c, No. 108 ... .25
2c, No. 113 ... .01
5c, No. 114 ... .02
10c, No. 116 ... .03

BRAZIL.

1906
*50r, No. 176 .. .02
400r, No. 180 .. .03
500r, No. 181 .. .06
500r, No. 181a . .06
700r, No. 182 .. .12
1000r, No. 183.. .05
2000r, No. 184.. .07
5000r, No. 185.. .40
1908-13
100r, No. 187 .. .06
200r, No. 188 .. .06
600r, No. 189 .. .10
1000r, No. 191.. .03
2000r, No. 194.. .12
1906 Postage Due.
*10r, No. 432 .. .02
*20r, No. 433 .. .02
200r, No. 436 .. .06
1906 Official.
300r, No. 506 .. .03
500r, No. 508 .. .03
1000r, No. 510.. .04
10000r, No. 513. .12
1913
500r, No. 519 .. .05
600r, No. 520 .. .07
1000r, No. 521.. .07

CHILE.

1910
1c, No. 83 .... .02
2c, No. 84 .... .02
3c, No. 85 .... .07
*3c, No. 85 .... .07
10c, No. 87 .... .01
12c, No. 88 .... .10
15c, No. 89 .... .06
*20c, No. 90 .... .15
25c, No. 91 .... .25
*25c, No. 91 .... .30
30c, No. 92 .... .15
*30c, No. 92 .... .20
*50c, No. 93 .... .40
2p, No. 95 .... .75
1911
3c, No. 70 .... .03
*3c, No. 100 ... .07
10c, No. 102 ... .02
12c, No. 103 ... .07
*12c, No. 103 .. .12
15c, No. 104 ... .02
*15c, No. 104 .. .10
20c, No. 105 ... .02
*20c, No. 105 .. .08
25c, No. 106 ... .08
30c, No. 107 ... .03
50c, No. 108 ... .05
1p, No. 109 .... .05
2p, No. 110 .... .50
1912
*4c, No. 114 ... .03
8c, No. 115 ... .03
*10c, No. 116 .. .04
14c, No. 117 ... .07
40c, No. 121 ... .06
1915
5c, No. 124 ... .01
4c, No. 128 ... .01
15c, No. 133 ... .01
20c, No. 134 ... .02
30c, No. 136 ... .03
50c, No. 137 ... .05

COLOMBIAN REPUBLIC.

1868
20c, No. 55 .... .20
50c, No. 56 .... .16
1p, No. 57 .... .15
1876
*10c, No. 74 ... .13
20c, No. 75 .... .20
10p, No. 79 .... .60
1881
1c, No. 103 .... .05
2c, No. 104 .... .08
5c, No. 106 .... .05
10c, No. 107 ... .05
1883-90
*1c, No. 116 .... .05
10c, No. 119 ... .05
20c, No. 120 ... .10
*10p, No. 128 .. 2.50
2c, No. 133 ..... .05
*20c, No. 141 .. .10
1c, No. 142 .... .04
10c, No. 146 ... .03
1899
*1c, No. 162 .... .02
*5c, No. 163 .... .02
*50c, No. 166 .. .05
1901-3
*1c, No. 177 .... .03
*2c, No. 178 .... .03
*5c, No. 209 .... .03

ANTIOQUIA.

1886-89
*2½c, No. 56 ... .05
*20c, No. 59 .... .13
*5c, No. 71 .... .25
*1c, No. 73 .... .02
2½c, No. 74 .... .03
1896
*5c, No. 100 ... .03
*10c, No. 101 .. .10
*5c, No. 110 .. .03
1899
*½c, No. 117 ... .02
*1c, No. 118 ... .02
*2c, No. 119 ... .02
*3c, No. 120 ... .10
*4c, No. 121 ... .02
*5c, No. 122 ... .02
*10c, No. 123 .. .02
*20c, No. 124 .. .03
*50c, No. 125 .. .05

BOLIVAR.

1879
*5c, No. 11 .... .06
*5c, No. 11a ... .12
*10c, No. 12 .... .05
*20c, No. 13 .... .06
*20c, No. 13a... 1.75
*40c, No. 14.... .13
*5c, No. 15..... .08
*5c, No. 15a.... .50
*10c, No. 16.... .25
*10c, No. 16a... .65
*20c, No. 17.... .13
*40c, No. 18.... .25
1880
*5c, No. 19..... .04
*5c, No. 19a.... .12
*10c, No. 20.... .09
*20c, No. 21.... .06
*20c, No. 21a... 1.75
*40c, No. 22.... .13
*80c, No. 23.... .65
*1p, No. 24 .... .75
*5c, No. 25..... .08
*20c, No. 27.... .18
*40c, No. 28.... .25
1882
*5c, No. 29..... .07
*10c, No. 30.... .05
*20c, No. 31.... .07
*40c, No. 32.... .08
*80c, No. 33.... .25
*1p, No. 34.... .38
*5p, No. 35..... .30
*5p. No. 35a.... 1.00
*10p, No. 36.... .30
*10p, No. 36a... 1.00
1883
*5c, No. 37..... .05
*10c, No. 38.... .05
*20c, No. 39.... .07
*40c, No. 40.... .10
*80c, No. 41.... .30
*1p, No. 42..... .38
1884
*5c, No. 43..... .07
*10c, No. 44.... .05
*20c, No. 45.... .05
*40c, No. 46.... .10
*80c, No. 47.... .20
*1p, No. 48..... .30
1885
*5c, No. 49..... .04
*10c, No. 50.... .04
*20c, No. 51.... .05
*40c. No. 52.... .08
*80c, No. 53.... .20
*1p, No. 54..... .38
1903
*1p, No. 74..... .12
*1p, No. 77..... .40
*5p. No. 78..... .25
*10p, No. 85.... .38

BOYACA.

1903
*5p, No. 16 .... .20
1903
*10p, No. 17 ... .30

SANTANDER.

1884
*1c, No. 1 ..... .05
*5c, No. 2 ..... .10
*10c, No. 3 .... .15
1886
*1c, No. 4 .... .10
*5c, No. 5 .... .10
10c, No. 6 .... .15
1887-89
*1c, No. 7 ..... .08
*5c, No. 11..... .20
1904
10c, No. 24 .... .03
20c, No. 25 .... .04
50c, No. 26 .... .05
1p, No. 27 .... .05

GUATEMALA.

1875
*½r, No. 7 ..... .10
*½r, No. 8 ..... .10
*1r, No. 9 ..... .12
*2r, No. 10 .... .12
1878-79
*½r, No. 11 .... .05
*2r, No. 12 .... .10
*4r, No. 13 .... .10
*1p, No. 14 .... .20
*½r, No. 15 .... .20
*1r, No. 16 .... .20
1881-82
*1c, No. 17 .... .20
*5c, No. 18 .... .20
*1c, No. 21 .... .04
*2c, No. 22 .... .03
*5c, No. 23 .... .06
*10c, No. 24 ... .05
*20c, No. 25 ... .05
1886-87
*25c, No. 26 ... .03
*75c, No. 28 ... .04
*100c, No. 29 .. .06
*150c, No. 30 .. .05
2c, No. 32 ..... .60
5c. No. 33 ..... .07
10c, No. 34 .... .15
20c, No. 35 .... .13
25c, No. 36 .... .25
50c, No. 37 .... .15
*75c, No. 38 ... .50
100c, No. 39 ... .40
150c, No. 40 ... .60
200c, No. 41 .... .65
1886-87
*1c on 2c. No.42 .04
20c, No. 48 ..... .12
25c. No. 49 .... .15
1894-98
*1c on 2c, No.50 .03
*2c on 100c,No.51 .15
*6c on 150c,No.52 .20
10c on 200c,No.54 .25
*1c, No. 86 .... .02
*2c, No. 87 ..... .03
*1c on 10c, No.88 .02
1902
*2c on 1c.No.110 .03
*25c, No. 113 .. .15
20c, No. 119 .... .02
50c, No. 120 .... .03
75c, No. 121 .... .06
1p, No. 122 .... .06
2p, No. 123 .... .13
1903
25c, No. 124 ... .05
25c, No. 125.... .05
25c. No. 126.... .06
25c. No. 127.... .15
1908-09
*1c on 10c,No.133 .02
*6c on 20c,No.134 .02
*2c on12½c,No.135 .02
*2c on 75c,No.136 .02
*6c on 50c,No.138 .02
*12½c. No. 139.. .04
1911-17
*25c, No. 141 .. .09
5p. No. 142 .... .40
*25c, No. 157 .. .05

PERU.

1866-74
5c, No. 16 ..... .10
10c, No. 17 .... .07
20c, No. 18 .... .25
1c, No. 21 ..... .05
5c, No. 23 ..... .03
20c, No. 25 .... .12
1880-82
1c, No. 28 ..... .10
5c, No. 31 ..... .08
*1c, No. 53 .... .04
*2c, No. 54 .... .03
*2c, No. 55 .... .04
*10c, No. 57 ... .02
*1c. No. 60 .... .03
*5c, No. 61 .... .03
*50c, No. 62 ... .10
*1s, No. 64 .... .25
1883-86
*1c, No. 86 .... .30
*2c, No. 88 .... .03
*1c, No. 95 .... .15
*2c, No. 96 .... .20
5c, No. 103 .... .05
20c, No. 113 ... .05
*50c, No. 114 .. .38
1s, No. 115 .... .13
1894-95
*1c, No. 118 .... .05
*1c, No. 119.... .02
*2c, No. 120.... .03
*2c, No. 121.... .02
*50c, No. 124 .. .13
*2c, No. 125 .... .03
*5c, No. 128e .. .50
*50c, No. 128h.. .75
*100c, No. 128i 1.00
1c, No. 129 .... .03
2c, No. 130 .... .02
5c, No. 131 .... .04
10c, No. 132 ... .03
20c, No. 133 ... .22
*1c, No. 134 .... .15
*2c, No. 135 ... .15
*5c, No. 136 ... .15
*10c, No. 137... .15
*20c, No. 138 .. .23
*50c, No. 139 .. .60
1s, No. 140 ... 2.25
1896-99
10c, No. 144 ... .02
20c, No. 145 ... .02
50c, No. 146 ... .07
1s, No. 147 .... .13
2s, No. 148 .... .25
1c, No. 150 .... .04
2c, No. 151 .... .03
5c, No. 152 .... .04
*5s, No. 157 ... 1.50
1900-07
10c, No. 159.... .02
22c, No. 160.... .15
*22c, No. 160... .30
*22c, No. 164... .05
12c, No. 165 ... .02
1c on 12c,No.166 .03
2c on 12c,No.167 .05
4c. No. 170 .... .08
10c, No. 172.... .02
20c, No. 173.... .04
1s. No. 175 .... .60
1909-12
4c, No. 179 .... .02
12c, No. 182 ... .02
20c, No. 183 ... .03
1909-12
50c, No. 184 .. .06
1s, No. 185 .... .10
*8c on 12c.No.186 .10
1915
*1c on 10c,No.188 .40
*2c on 12c,No.189 .06
*1c on 1c,No.190 .30
*2c on 2c,No.191 .50
*1c on 4c,No.192 .75
*1c on 10c,No.193 .06
*2c on 50c,No.195 .75
1916
*1c on 12c,No.196 .02
*1c on 20c,No.197 .02
*1c on 50c,No.198 .02
*2c on 4c,No.199 .03
*1c, No. 201 .... .02
*2c on 50c,No.202 .04
*10c, No. 203 .. .10
*2c on 1c,No.204 .25
*2c on 10c,No.206 .05
*2c on 50c,No.207 .04
1917
1c, No. 209 .... .01
2c. No. 210 .... .01
4c, No. 211 .... .01
5c, No. 212 .... .01
10c, No. 214.... .03
12c, No. 215.... .03
20c, No. 216.... .03
50c, No. 217.... .10
1s, No. 218 .... .15
1911 Special.
*10c, No. 296... 1.00
1874 Postage Due.
*1c, No. 301 .... .02
*5c, No. 302a .. .03
10c, No. 303.... .03
1883
1c, No. 316 .... .03
5c, No. 317 08
10c, No. 318.... .08
20c, No. 319.... .10
50c, No. 320.... .15
1897-99
5c, No. 329 .... .05
*20c, No. 331.. .13
*50c, No. 332 ... .15
*1s, No. 333 ... .30
*5s, No. 334 ... 1.50
1902-9
*5c on 10s,No.336 .10
10c on 20c,No.337 .07
*1c on 10s,No.339 .20
5c, No. 341 .... .05
10c. No. 342 ... .06
1889 Official.
*1c, No. 451 ... .10
2c, No. 452 ... .13
5c, No. 453 ... .40
*1c, No. 458 ... .10
*2c. No. 460 ... .20
1895-96
*2c, No. 469 ... 1.00
*5c, No. 470 ... .75
*20c, No. 471 .. .75
1c, No. 472 .... .03
10c, No. 473 ... .12
50c, No. 474 ... .13
1901-9
*10c, No. 475 .. .02
1c, No. 476 .... .02
10c, No. 477 ... .04

URUGUAY.

1887
10c, No. 70 .... .20
1896-98
1c, No. 113 .... .04
5c, No. 114 .... .10
1c, No. 116 .... .04
5c, No. 117 .... .06
2p, No. 128 .... .60
3p, No. 129 .... .60
*½c on 1c,No.135 .03
*½c on 1c,No.136 .04
*½c on 2c,No.137 .10
1900-4
20c. No. 149 .... .10
10c, No. 153 .... .05
50c, No. 157.... .25
1882-87
5c, No. 54 .... .03
10c, No. 55..... .05
50c, No. 57..... .03
1b, No. 58 .... .04
*5c, No. 76..... .03
*25c, No. 77 ... .03
*1b, No. 80 .... .30
*3b, No. 81 .... .15
1893
*5c, No. 90 .... .02
*25c, No. 91 ... .03
*50c, No. 92 ... .03
*1b, No. 93 .... .20
*25c, No. 96 ... .04
*50c, No. 97 ... .05
50c. No. 108 ... .03
1b, No. 109 .... .03
25c. No. 118 .. .05
1900-01
*1b, No. 134 .. .03
*2b, No. 135 ... .05
*10b, No. 142 .. .07
20b, No. 143... .22
*1b, No. 162 ... .50
*3b, No. 163 ... .22
1904-05
50c, No. 235 ... .03

COSTA RICA.

1883
1c, No. 16 .... .03
2c, No. 17 .... .03
5c, No. 18 .... .03
10c, No. 19 .... .15
*40c, No. 20 ... .10
1887-88
5c, No. 21 ..... .03
10c, No. 22 .... .08
5c. No. 24 ..... .07
*50c, No. 30 .... .03
1892
*1p, No. 41 ... .05
*2p, No. 42 .... .05
1900-04
1p, No. 158 .... .45
20c, No. 165.... .15
25c, No. 166.... .15
1906-12
7c, No. 172..... .06
50c, No. 173.... .30
8c, No. 206..... .04
20c, No. 207.... .06
50c, No. 208.... .14
1902 Postage Due.
*1c, No. 281 ... .15
*2c, No. 282 ... .15
2c. No. 282 .... .07
*4c, No. 283 .. .12
4c, No. 283 .... .07

VENEZUELA.

1b, No. 236 .... .05
1904-05
*25c, No. 239 .. .03
*50c, No. 240 .. .05
*3b, No. 242 ... .13
*10b, No. 243 .. .50
*5c, No. 245 ... .03
*10c, No. 246 .. .05
*25c, No. 247 .. .05
1910-14
25c, No. 249.... .03
50c, No. 254.... .02
15c, No. 261.... .02
50c. No. 264.... .02
1b, No. 266 .... .12
1898 Official
*5c, No. 300 .. .02
*10c, No. 301 .. .03
25c, No. 302 ... .04
50c, No. 303 ... .08
1b, No. 304 .... .10
1899
*25c on 1b,No.308 .25
1900-04
*5c, No. 313 ... .03
*10c, No. 314 .. .03
*25c, No. 315 .. .03
*50c, No. 321 .. .08

HONDURAS.

1889
*2r, No. 37 .... .03
*4r, No. 38 .... .04
*1p, No. 39 .... .06
1898
*1c, No. 103.... .02
*2c, No. 104.... .03
*5c, No. 105.... .03
*5c, No. 105b... .15
*6c, No. 106.... .03
*6c, No. 107 ... .03
1903
*1c, No. 111.... .01
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*5c on 2c,No.160 .
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UNITED STATES 30c, 90c 1857-60.

By ELLIOTT PERRY.

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Regarding the imperforate 30c orange, Luff's book quotes a well known philatelist who says he bought an imperforate 30c orange at the New York post office in 1860 and that he distinctly remembers having used one on a letter containing some photographs. Luff's book also states:—"The most important evidence in favor of this stamp is furnished by a copy which was purchased by Messrs. Morgenthau & Co. in the summer of 1899. This copy is on a letter sent from New York to Lyons, France. The cancellation covers a large portion of the stamp and is dated October 2nd, 1860. The stamp has fine margins on three sides and shows a portion of the adjoining stamp at the left. It is printed in the peculiar brown-orange shade in which the imperforate copies are always found. It establishes, beyond doubt, the use of the thirty-cent stamp in imperforate condition."

Unfortunately this cover does not establish anything except that someone trimmed the perforations from a perforated 30c and used it as an "imperf", or else that the stamp was never used on that, or any other cover, at all. True, $1,000 was bid for this cover at the Worthington sale but investigation threw such doubts upon its genuineness that its sale was not consummated. Another cover in the Worthington collection bore a perforated 30c in the same shade as the alleged imperforate. The reader should always bear in mind that the 30c and 90c sheets were normally imperforate along the pane line between the 10th and 11th vertical rows so that right side edge of the stamps in the 10th row of the left pane and the left side edge of the stamps in the first row of the right pane are normally imperforate. The present writer has not noted any 30c or 90c perforated along the pane line although copies of the lower values of the series perforated along the pane line are occasionally found.

No pairs or blocks of the imperforate 90c, nor any blocks of the 24c and 30c imperforate have come to the writer's attention, but it is common knowledge that the Crawford collection contained a horizontal pair of the 24c and a similar pair of the 30c, both unused. The 30c pair was in the brownish hue characteristic of the stamps from the (first?) imperforate trial sheet. This hue is unlike that sometimes found on perforated 30c orange that have turned brownish from what is commonly called oxidation.

It may be well to mention here a fact regarding the imperforate hues that seems to have escaped attention. If the brownish hue of the imperforate 30c was the color approved for the 30c stamps why were not the stamps printed in this same hue? Are we to suppose the difference in color between the trial sheet and the printed stamps was too slight to make any material difference or, should we believe the trial sheet in brownish orange was rejected and that another trial sheet in the color of the issued perforated stamps was submitted before the orange 30c were printed for use? If there was a trial sheet printed in the orange hue of the stamps it necessarily follows that there may be *orange* 30c imperforates in existence distinct from the *brownish orange* imperforates usually accepted as being the only genuine imperforates. As a matter of fact, neither the 24c nor the 90c imperforates are in the exact shades of the stamps of those denominations.

The Steinmetz correspondence clearly indicates that there were *two* distinct orange colors used but does not definitely state the second color was submitted for approval in the form of an imperforate trial printing. The Toppan, Carpenter letter of July 11, 1860 says:—"We believe that the inclosed buff tint could be more advantageously printed than any hue of yellow, and cancelling such a stamp would be easy and thorough." This refers to the first buff stamp submitted for approval, and in the present writer's opinion was the brownish orange of the "genuine" imperforates. Replying to the above letter, the Department wrote on July 13th:—"It is well to adopt the buff instead of the black color for the Thirty-cent stamp, though I hope you may be able to infuse a more lively tint than appears in the specimen submitted by you." We cannot tell whether the copy submitted was a die proof or a single copy cut from a

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sheet. The Department's objection to the buff color was well founded, for the brown-orange stamps have a decidedly "dead" appearance.

The Toppan, Carpenter letter of July 16th refers to an entirely different hue of orange,—"We have the honor to inclose twenty stamps of the Thirty Cents rate printed in the orange buff which we purpose using henceforth if approved by the Postmaster General. You have desired a more lively tint than that submitted by us on the 11th inst., and we have found that all yellow buffs are open to the objection which arises from a want of brilliancy and effect. This orange buff prints clearly, as you may observe, and, while distinct from both the red and brown stamps, does not resemble too much the ordinary yellow tint of envelopes. It can also be readily effaced."

Replying to this letter on July 18th, the Department wrote:—"Your letter of the 16th inst., with enclosures is received. Relying much on your own good taste and judgment as to colors, the Postmaster General approves the 'orange buff' which you propose for the Thirty-cent stamps and begs you will hasten their delivery." Assuming the twenty stamps submitted for approval in orange buff were from an imperforate sheet, if any of them are still in existence, we cannot maintain that only the brownish orange 30c are genuine imperforates.

On July 30th, Toppan, Carpenter & Co. advised the Department:—"I have the honor to inform you that we will be prepared to deliver the new Thirty Cents stamps tomorrow to the amount of *two hundred and eighty thousand* and henceforth as the department may require." The reader will note that two weeks elapsed from the date when the twenty stamps in orange buff were submitted to the time when the first printing of 30c stamps for regular issue was ready. Such a lapse of time would indicate there were no orange buff 30c printed for regular issue until after the approval of the twenty trial prints on July 18th, and that the twenty "stamps" submitted were in fact ungummed imperforate—color trials only.

A proof impression from the 90c die was submitted for approval on July 9, 1860. On July 11th, the engravers were asked to make certain changes in it, among others to introduce prominently the figures "90". On July 13th, the Department withdrew objections to the design and wrote,—"The black will not do for the Ninety-cent stamp. Can you not prepare a delicate pink which would look well, and be at once distinguishable from all other colors in use?" On July 14th, Toppan, Carpenter & Co. advised the Department:—"We will endeavor to produce a pink such as you recommend for the Ninety-cent stamp. * * * A plate shall be prepared at once and samples of colors submitted." And on July 30th they wrote:—"We have been earnestly endeavoring to obtain a pink tint for the Ninety Cents and trust to be able to forward you tomorrow a satisfactory sample. This color is exceedingly difficult to get to print well." This was followed two days later by a letter in which they said:—"We have the honor to inclose samples of colors marked from No. 1 to No. 9 inclusive. * * * We have spared no effort to produce a good pink and Nos. 1 and 2 are the best obtained. You will observe that these light red colors do not give the effect which a deeper tint will present. We suggest Nos. 1, 2, 6, 7 and 8 as most worthy of examination. No. 7 is the handsomest of them all and gives the most decided effect to the engraving. Though a blue, it differs considerably in appearance from the One-cent stamp, while the form and character of the stamp itself are utterly distinct."

On August 3rd the Department replied:—"Your letter of 1st inst., enclosing samples of colors for the Ninety-cent stamps is received. Yielding to your suggestion, the Postmaster General adopts the *blue* color." Replying again on August 4th, Toppan, Carpenter & Co. wrote:—"We are pleased to learn the Postmaster General has adopted the blue color for the Ninety-cent stamps. In our opinion it is preferable to all the others.* * * We will be prepared to furnish about 300,000 Ninety Cents stamps on the 13th inst."

Luff gives the dates of issue of the 30c orange and the 90c blue as August 12th and August 13, 1860, respectively. On August 2nd a letter from the Post Office Department to John A. Dix, postmaster at New York, states:—"I have directed 10,000 of the Thirty-cent stamps to be sent to your office. The Ninety-Cent stamps will be ready in a few days. Please inform me what number of the latter you desire to be supplied with." On the same day a similar letter was sent to seven other cities; the quantities of 30c stamps ordered sent to each being 8,000 to Philadelphia and 5,000 each to Cincinnati, St. Louis, New Orleans, Boston, Baltimore and Chicago. This indicates the date of issue of the 30c to have been about August 3rd and of the 90c about August 13, 1860.

The reprinted 30c and 90c of 1875 were made from the original plates containing 200 subjects and can readily be identified from the originals by the perforation—12 instead of 15. The 90c is a fairly good match for the shade of the original stamps but the reprinted 30c is quite yellow and not like the 1860 printing. Being printed from the original plates, all the varieties found on the stamps occur also on the reprints. Ten thousand of each value were reprinted but only 480 of the 30c and 454 of the 90c were sold.

In conclusion, the writer of this article wishes to thank Mr. Steinmetz and Mr. Luff for their courtesy in permitting him to draw so freely from their material and to express his gratitude to all other collectors and dealers for their interest and kindness in loaning stamps and other data for use in preparing the articles on these two greatly beloved stamps. If the articles prove of help to the beginner in philately, to the advanced collector, or to the United States specialist, the writer will feel amply rewarded for the time and labor expended upon them.

THE JAPAN PEACE STAMPS.

We have already chronicled the new set of Japan peace stamps, but a letter from R. Yokohori gives us some information worth using. The design for the 1½ and 4 sen was executed by Somei Yuki and the one for the 3 and 10 sen by Saburosuke Okada. The stamps were all printed at the Government Printing Bureau on white unwatermarked paper, being perforated 12½ for the 1½ and 4 sen and 13½x13 for the 3 and 10 sen.

Our correspondent wishes to have our impartial criticism of this set. We have no criticism to offer, in fact we have already described it as a very beautiful production. The stamps are a distinct contribution to the art in stamp collecting.

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EDITORIAL.

Effects—Echoes of the recent convention of the American Philatelic Society convention at St. Louis are heard and the publicity that has resulted from the meeting is still in circulation. Mr. H. A. Diamant says: "I was astonished to receive about ten or twelve letters from points in Arkansas and Kansas. From the tone of the letters I infer that the Sunday *Republic's* article and the news items of last week were reprinted in country papers." Plans for the publicity campaign by the A. P. S. are being formulated and it will not be long before practical results are evolved. By-the-way, in one of the schedules of "coming conventions" in a St. Louis hand-book, the American Philatelic Society was named as intending to hold "a convention of 9 stamp collectors." Just how the 9 was arrived at puzzled the experts on typographical errors.

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Arrivals—The new playing card stamps, with no denomination expressed, which comes in the category of "tax-paids", has made its appearance but there has been a provisional playing card stamp, the "7" black surcharge with the additional overprint, "8 Cts." in red, which comes both normal and inverted. Mr. J. P. Coveleski, Ancon, Canal Zone, sends a new commemorative issue of Panama: "The stamp bears a view of the historical ruins of an old church that stands to-day, the 'Catedral de la Antigua Panama.' The stamps are issued in commemoration of the 400th anniversary of the founding of old Panama City, Aug. 15th, 1519, which was destroyed by Morgan, the buccaneer, in 1671. The celebration takes place this day, Aug. 15th, 1919, throughout the Republic of Panama; and the stamps are not to be used on mail addressed outside of Panama. There are only 50,000 stamps of this issue which will continue for thirty days, when any remainders will be destroyed. Only five sheets or five hundred stamps will be sold to each person, upon a written request to the postmaster, Panama City, R. P." The stamp, bi-colored, orange and black, is surcharged in blue, "1519—1919. 2 Centesimos," and its original denomination is 2½c. Dr. C. W. Hennan, commenting on the Federalsburg, Md., precanceled envelopes, shows envelopes from Ritzville, Washington, with various precancellations.

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Problem—A question of conduct has been presented by an esteemed reader who as a "seeker after truth," as he styles himself quite properly, turns his lantern on our columns. He knows that this Pilaster of Probity never trifles with the truth. "What, never? Well, hardly ever." He writes: "As a 'seeker after truth' I am impelled to ask the opinion not only of the editor of the collectors' 'guide, counsellor and friend,' but also that of such of its readers—both clerical and lay—as care to voice their opinions upon the following question. (The consensus of opinion, if followed, may save more than one 'brand from the burning.') This is the question: We will suppose a collector to have received from his post office a package requiring postage of (say) $6.42, the amount being made up by a $5, two 50 cent, a 30 cent, a 10 cent and two 1 cent stamps. The last four stamps are on the back of the address tag and the first three upon the face of the tag. The stamps on the back of the tag are properly canceled but the five dollar stamp and the two fifty cent stamps have entirely escaped cancellation. In fact they are 'mint' except for being stuck on the tag. Is the collector ethically justified in taking these uncanceled stamps and using them for postage? If not, is he ethically justified in offering them for sale as 'unused but without gum?' It is said that there are two sides to every question and I believe that this one is no exception to the rule. I know a man whom I would trust with my knife, my wife or my life and this man feels perfectly justified in using for postage or selling as unused stamps which he has every reason to know have already done postal duty but have escaped cancellation." We know that the government considers the stamp that has paid postage and not been canceled as one that may not be used again and we suppose would prosecute the one who wilfully would use an unmarked stamp the second time. If we had to answer the questions on the run, we should say no to the first and yes to the second. The first contemplates an unlawful act while "unused without gum" as a philatelic description is not misleading to many of us. The collector is concerned merely in the fact that the surface of the stamp is not marred and that the original gum is missing from the back.

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View—By request:—Observations on the character of certain stamps out of the beaten track of U. S. issues are sometimes of a nature to make the thinking collector pause to wonder if any information about them that may be unfavorable is suppressed. Occasionally, the report is received that the existence of fancy varieties and experimental asides is due to the activity of some one who had influence with this or that bank note company. Different of the essays, for want of a better term, have been tainted with the suspicion of having been the creations of some one who had access to the "works" of the company. Yet, who will say, flat-footedly that these things are to be rejected because of their suspected origin. Hints are given from time to time that collectors should hesitate to pay high prices for these varieties; and the warning may be all right. However, the main division of collectors gives little attention to these ornaments and for that reason is not an investor in them; so far as they are concerned the place for the stamps in question is in the reference works. The collectors who buy such stamps usually know just what they are buying; and are even better informed, perhaps, about them than the seller. Any damage done by the kind of specimens in mind is not great. If it could be announced with authority that some of the stamps were goats, the effect would be of benefit but it seems impossible to get a writer to publicly affirm that some of the stamps are unworthy or recognition. In an advanced circle of students, here and there, a good line on the standing of the different emissions of the kind may be had but to our knowledge there is no one who will give specific information about them backed by definite details.

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Point—In discussing the prices on U. S. stamps, Mr. David Plotz thinks that the element of finds should be considered and we suppose that this angle is not to be ignored. Yet those who have seen the manner in which "finds," etc., have been easily absorbed with little or no effect on the general market do not attach much importance to this factor. In fact, a dealer has just informed us that a big find in any desirable U. S. stamps stimulates business in the stamps at prices that are firmer than usual instead of softer.

NEW QUEBEC REVENUE STAMPS.

By CHAS. S. THOMPSON.

Through the courtesy of Mr. J. F. Regin, Comptroller of Provincial Revenue, I have received information concerning a new issue of revenue stamps for the Province of Quebec.

The new labels are "Prohibition" stamps, and of course are used in connection with the sale of liquors. These stamps are strikingly handsome, and are of large size, 43x46 mm. The value appears in the upper and lower corners, and also in the centre, where it appears in a colorless circle 16 mm. in diameter. Above in Roman caps, is *Province Quebec;* at left, *Liquor;* right, *Liquers;* bottom, *Prohibition.* Background of lathe work, which is beautifully engine-turned.

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296	1917	1l on 3l orange		.05	.03
299	1917	5l on 40l		.15	.10
301	1917	5l on 1d perf. 11½		.15	.10
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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

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The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—In our notes of some weeks back we mentioned the fact that the Bureau of Engraving and Printing had been experimenting with a new perforating machine and at that time one of our correspondents informed us that stamps of a different perforation from the normal 11 would possibly be issued. We wrote the Bureau and they informed us that it was true that they were experimenting but that none would be issued other than those perforated 11. It will be recalled that at the time we questioned their statement and wondered why the Bureau would scrap perfectly good stamps perforated on this new machine just because the perforations were of a different gauge.

Mr. H. W. Porter now sends us for our inspection panes from plates Nos. 10032 and 10052 of the 1c offset print perforated 12½. These must have, of course, been printed previous to March last, for it was the latter part of that month that the offset method of printing was discontinued. Mr. Porter states that these sheets come mixed in packages with the same stamps perforated 11. All of these seem to have been placed on sale in one city and Mr. Porter says the supply is not large enough to last a week providing the greater part of the unopened packages contain stamps with this 12½ perforation. The sheets so far noted are Nos. 9983, 9993, 10001, 10032 and 10052. We have asked the Bureau for information relative to quantities, denominations, places of issue, etc., and will give full notes as soon as received. In the meantime we can only advise our many correspondents to keep a sharp lookout, for almost anything is likely to be turned out from Washington.

1919, Offset print, Unwatermarked, Perf. 12½.
1c dark green.

Mr. B. K. Miller also reports that he has obtained the SW pane from sheet No. 9993, which, by the way, is one of the 1600 subject plates. He advises that only 10 panes of this stamp are known so far, although we question this last statement.

The Economist Stamp Company brings our attention to another most interesting variety which they state they have located. This consists of a block from the 2c sheets of 170 rotary print, imperforated vertically and perforated 11 horizontally. Their block shows the center guide line running north and south.

In further reference to our recent chronicle wherein we questioned the existence of the 3c circular die envelope printed in green, Mr. Theo. B. Platt writes that he has located such a stamp torn from the envelope in a "bluish green" shade. Mr. P. E. Bryant also sends for our inspection a similar variety in "bluish green" and this copy positively is a changling. We must again say that until we see an undoubted specimen we must doubt its existence. If any reader has such a variety we will gladly pay registration both ways for the pleasure of seeing it and being able to say definitely that such an error exists.

While on the subject of envelopes it is of interest to mention that Mr. Francois Dessert has located the 2c circular die in a most unusual light pink shade. It seems to be almost more than a shade. Some of our envelope specialists would probably classify it as a pink.

Mr. A. C. Reukueff sends us a copy of the playing card provisional "8 cts." in red on the blue, series of 1894 stamp, recently issued by the Bureau, cancelled in three lines "8 c—R P C Co—4-1-19". He shows us a similar stamp with the latter cancellation double. These are most interesting but now that the Bureau has turned them into 8c stamps by means of a surcharge, we can hardly call the second surcharge applied by the playing card company much more than a cancellation. This was not the case, however, previous to the Bureau surcharge, for then the privately applied surcharge was the only thing about the stamp that indicated whether it was used to pay a two, seven or eight cents tax.

Under date of August 15, 1919, the office of the Third Asst. Postmaster General sends out the following notice which will be of interest to those sending to Shanghai for the recently issued surcharged series.

Washington, August 15, 1919.

1. Owing to fluctuating exchange rates for "Mexican" or local money current in Shanghai it is impossible to calculate in advance the exact cost of postage stamps surcharged "Shanghai, China", when orders are received there a month later. To avoid delay and misunderstanding it is suggested that persons ordering these stamps remit to the United States postal agent, Shanghai, domestic money orders at the rate of $5.64, the total surcharged value of the stamps, for each complete set desired. The postal agent will convert the money orders into local currency at the prevailing rate of exchange, and in addition to the full sets ordered will send other values, of denominations such as purchasers may indicate, to equal the full amount of the Mexican or local money received, less the cost of return postage and registration.

2. If full sets are not desired, the amount remitted should equal the total surcharged value of the stamps ordered.

3. International money orders or international reply coupons can not be accepted for these stamps.

4. This notice supersedes section 23, page 30, 1919 Postal Guide.

A. M. DOCKERY,
Third Assistant Postmaster General.

We also wish to thank Mr. W. J. Stanton for a letter of interest.

BAVARIA.—Mr. Th. Allard advises us that the Bavarian stamps will be surcharged "Freistaat Bayern".

BRAZIL.—We are advised by Miss Cora H. Fosalba that the new Brazilian official set described in the issue for July 26, is on paper horizontally watermarked CASA DA MOEDA, in sheets of 50 stamps, five horizontal lines of ten stamps each, from which 40 have from one to two and a half letters watermarked and the other 10 have no watermark, with the following exception: the eighth stamp in the top line has one "1" as control watermark. This will be very rare.

BR. SOMALILAND.—Mr. Hugo Griebert has shown us new colors of the following stamps of this colony. ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 6, 8 and 12 annas and at the same time advises that the 2, 3 and 5 rupees have appeared.

CHILE.—We are indebted to Miss Cora H. Fosalba for the following:

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DENMARK.—The 15 ore and 1 Kr. current stamps have been surcharged "Postfaerge" to be used on the steamers in Limfjorden, according to information from Mr. Th. Allard.

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portrait type, and the 3 öre, numeral, *se tenant*. These, we understand, were issued some months ago for use in automatic machines, and they are now obsolete owing to the postal rates having been increased in Denmark. As from July 1 the new rates are: post cards and local letters, 10 öre; other letters, 15 öre; registered letters, 30 öre—an increase of 3 öre in each case.—*Stamp Collecting.*

NYASALAND.—Mr. Hugo Griebert has shown us ½ and 1d in duller colors than heretofore.

PARAGUAY.—Miss Cora H. Fosalba gives us the following information regarding the stamps of this country:—

There are some imperforate stamps not catalogued:—All the commemorative series of 1911, except the No. 203; all the series of 1913, except Nos. 216 and 219; and the postage dues of 1914, Nos 405, 406, 407, 410 and 412.

Statistics of the stamps recently surcharged: "Habilitado-1918" on 405, 424,400; 408, 170,100; 409, 179,750; 410, 444,600; No. 410 surcharged "Habilitado—1918-5 centavos", 300,000; No. 211 surcharged "Habilitado en 0.30—1918" 1,000,000 and No. 371 surcharged "Habilitado—1918-5 cents 5" 2,450.

ST. HELENA.—Messrs. Alfred Smith & Son have shown us the new "War Tax" stamp, referred to last week. The overprinted words are left and right, respectively, of the portrait on the 1d value, below which is a large "1d." in heavy black type.—*Stamp Collecting.*

SWEDEN.—Th. Allard advises us that on July 1st the postal rates were raised from 7 öre to 10 öre for post-cards and letters in local traffic and from 12 to 15 öre for other letters, weight up to 20 gram. The registered letters cost thus now 25 öre for registered letters in local traffic and 30 öre for other registered letters. The stamps of 7, 12 and 27 values are withdrawn from circulation.

Air-post.—An airpost service between Stockholm and Göteborg will be started at the end of July or in August. The postal rates are the ordinary rates plus 20 öre for express and Kr 1 for air-post postage. It is not determined if special

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MR. DIAMANT REPLIES.

(The annexed communication from H. A. Diamant deals with a matter to which we referred editorially a short time ago. We publish Mr. Diamant's comment willingly but at the same time desire to maintain the position that we assumed. It is simply this:—Dealers who are members of the American Philatelic Society should be willing to accept membership in that organization as a sufficient basis for the establishment of a business relationship. If under present conditions this is not possible steps should be taken to make it possible. Every member joining our national society is investigated and the references used to gain membership in the A. P. S. should be as gilt edged as references used by collectors in securing stamps on approval.—W. O. W.)

Your editorial regarding the integrity and financial responsibility of stamp collectors who belong to the American Philatelic Society requires an answer from me.

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I hardly think there is any need of argument over this matter. You will admit that there are members of some societies who are not prompt in paying bills, and care should be taken in admitting members to societies. I hope that your editorial will be conducive of good results and that my unintentional reflecton (if it can be so called) on the integrity of society members, will not be seriously considered by collectors unknown to each other personally or by reputation.

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The following editorial appeared in the *Globe-Democrat* of Aug. 21st.:

We have with us this week a convention entitled to the much-abused adjective "unique". The American Philatelic Society is in session here. It is not trying to ascertain a way to reduce the cost of living without hurting anybody. It is not peculiarly interested in the relations of capital and labor. It is not discussing the nationalization of railways and key industries. It is not concerned about the definition of intoxicating liquor. It is only indirectly concerned in the League of Nations, with or without reservations, or interpretations. Their only interest as philatelists in the peace treaty is as to the variety of stamps that the new countries put out. These philatelists are, of course, human beings and as such are interested in all matters we have mentioned. But they are not bound together by common sentiment on such questions. They are of various vocations, but it is their joyous avocation that is responsible for the society and its session. This is their common ground, and while there may be individual pride over size of collections or over the possession of especially rare stamps, there is no unseemly rivalry among them and no possibility of dissensions.

Their enthusiasm passeth the understanding of the cynical outsider, to whom any kind of stamp is merely as a yellow primrose by the river's brim. It is true that a stamp collection has its value, but no mercenary impulses move the collectors. It is a specialty far more intricate than the outsider imagines. Philatelists are not content with merely gathering the stamps of all countries. They must have samples of all stamps issued in the history of any country. They have their "first editions" also, usually in blocks of unused stamps. They collect stamps of the same denomination issued by the same country, where there are delicate differences in shades of the same general color. No doubt they have even taken advantage of the difference in quality of the paper and the character and amount of the mucilage. Some of Mr. Burleson's supposed efforts at economy in production of stamps may have been really designed to help the collectors. The old newspaper story of the careful shopper who put her finger on a particular stamp in a large sheet and asked for it may not have been a joke at all. Perhaps she was an expert.

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However, when this new state's boundaries are finally incorporated, they will no doubt include the great city of Riga in Livonia, which will undoubtedly become its capital. Riga has 228,000 inhabitants and is a world-famed seaport, lying directly on the commercial routes of the Baltic Sea.

The stamps thus far issued are certainly of a provisional nature and more definite issues should be expected any time, as these stamps do not cover the entire section named.

There have been five issues of stamps for this country so far, and all are of poor execution. The design for the first four issues is the same throughout, namely, an emblem of three heads of wheat within a circle enclosed in a row of wavy lines very much like the rays of the sun. This emblem rests on a spherical line and on each side is a small object representing (I presume) a leaf. Above the emblem is the word "Latvija" (Livonia), and below it the value in numerals. On each side of the value is the word "kap.", an abbreviation of the Lettish word for the Russian kopeck, the coin in use.

In the first issue, there was but one solitary value—the 5 kapeika carmine. Evidently the government was in a great hurry for postal adhesives, for the stamp was "run off" on the most available paper at hand—German field maps. Since Livonia had been under occupation by the Germans for some time, it was natural that this sort of material was available. According to Scott, this stamp was issued both imperforate and perforate 11½. In this issue, both leaves in the design have four points.

The second issue consisted of three values—5k carmine, 10k dark blue, and 15k dark green—with the same design as the first issue but re-drawn. The wheat-heads are thicker, the leaf at the lower left has five points instead of four, and there are minor changes in other parts of the design. This issue was printed on heavy, coarse paper with ruled lines, apparently writing-paper.

Three new values were added to the set in the third issue—the 20k deep orange, 35k dark brown and 50k purple, all of which retained the re-drawn design. The absence of a period after the left "kap" may be noted in the 20k orange. The colors of the 5, 10 and 15k remained unchanged. This issue was printed on thin silk paper.

The fourth and last issue of the stamps of this design brought out two new values also—the 3k violet and 75k light green. Altogether, this issue comprised eight values, all of which were printed on paper watermarked a honeycomb, and with re-drawn design.

In speaking of issues two, three and four, it might be well to state that the stamps were printed in sheets of 100 and only perforated through the center of the sheet horizontally. It will be readily seen, therefore, that the greater part of these stamps will come imperforate, while only a few will appear "part perforate 10".

Passing on to the fifth issue, we find a new design upon the stamps issued in commemoration of the liberation and freedom of Riga. There are three values—5kap red, 15kap dark green, and 35kap brown. These stamps also are poorly executed. The design, which is the same throughout, shows in the background the outline of the city, while in the foreground a male figure is depicted protecting a female figure from a serpent which is coiled about a human

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skull in the lower right hand corner of the stamp. These stamps likewise are imperforate and are on watermarked honeycomb paper.

Whether or not these issues served for all purposes, remains to be seen. Apparently no dues, special deliveries or express stamps have been issued yet, but as these series are most certainly of a provisional character, we may look forward any day to the appearance of a general issue for the whole Livonian State, and its subsequent issues.

EDGEWOOD 39 — DOVER 32.

Four weeks have passed since we published our last summary and the figures given below show that even though it be summertime splendid work has been done in securing new subscriptions. It will be noted that the Edgewood Stamp Co. has secured a total of 374 subscriptions in eleven months, 39 coming in during the month of August. Chas. Christensen and the Covert Stamp Co. with 96 and 95 respectively, are both likely to reach the hundred mark in the month remaining. Two months ago L. B. Dover began a campaign for new subscriptions and 32 received during August (with a total of 49) is an indication of what may be expected during the coming season. There are seven firms to whom we desire to give special credit for work done during the last month, the record including all subscriptions received up to August 29:—

EDGEWOOD STAMP CO.,	39
L. B. DOVER,	32
D. B. NAGLE,	15
E. P. SEEBOHM,	8
R. C. BUCKEY,	7
ROYAL STAMP CO.,	7
CHAS. CHRISTENSEN,	7

Successful as the past year has been, we want to make 1919-1920 even more so. To this end get your stock of subscription forms, as we shall begin with a clean slate October 1, and all contestants will be on a common footing. Send for the forms today. Here is our honor roll as it stands to date:—

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Chas. Christensen, Milwaukee, Wis.,	96
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A. A. Jones, Herrin, Ill.,	13
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Two each:—We have seventy-one on this list—too many to name. You have thirty days in which to get your name on the above roll of honor.

THE MANAGING EDITOR.

COLLECTING INTEREST INTENSE.

By RICHARD SPILLANE.

(*Philadelphia Public Ledger.*)

Persons who collect all classes and kinds of postage stamps are called philatelists. Persons who collect all classes and kinds of coins are called numismatists. Unthinking persons laugh at these collectors as faddists.

There never was a time in the history of the world, perhaps, when the interest of the collectors was so intense as now. For new nations have been born as never before and new stamps are coming forth to demand their attention.

One of the department heads of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, of New York, has a stamp collection of remarkable variety. In it is a stamp of a rare issue. When Paris was besieged by the Prussians in the Franco-Prussian War of 1870 the French communicated with the outside world by means of balloons. A letter sent from Paris to the father of the collector, who was in London, bore a "balloon" stamp. The balloon met disaster near the English Channel. Later some of the mail matter was picked up floating on the waves. The letter addressed to the collector's father was one of the bits retrieved. It was forwarded to him and now the son has the water-stained letter and envelope and the precious stamp.

A great difficulty school teachers have to contend with is the inattention of children. The pupil is inattentive because the subject does not interest him. Few teachers have the art of stirring the imagination of the young and making them eager to learn. Philatelists point out that children find much of interest in stamps, and that through the remarkable variety of stamps recently issued much more desire might be stirred in the young to study geography and history.

To tell a child a dozen or two dozen new nations have been created in Europe or the Near East and point to them on a map is not the same as to have a child look over a queer lot of stamps, struggle with what is printed or pictured thereon and have his curiosity aroused. Czecho-Slovakia means something if the youngster has something from there. He is likely to look at the map intently and fix Czecho-Slovakia in his mind. So too, with every other land, old and new.

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From a strictly business viewpoint the philatelist idea is worthy of notice. No nation expends so much on public education as the United States. It is not the child's fault so much as it is the fault of the system if youngsters come from school without a good groundwork of knowledge. Children are by nature inquisitive and acquisitive. The destructiveness of a child is explained not infrequently by desire to know what is inside of the thing he destroys.

It is inevitable that in the world trade to which America falls heir or develops by reason of the war, great numbers of the youngsters at school today will go to distant lands on business of one kind or other. Geography, history, languages take on new importance commercially.

UNIVERSAL SAFETY MATCH CO.

By CHRISTOPHER WEST.

The first stamp of this series is an early Butler & Carpenter production, being one of the sixteen match stamps first issued in 1864. The design is quite attractive and its history rather unusual: the stamp having been issued for a Boston firm but used most extensively by another firm in New Jersey.

It is an upright rectangle of the standard 1c size bearing "U" and "S" in circles in the upper corners and "1—1" in similar circles in the lower corners. Outside these circles are labels bearing the usual inscriptions, that at the bottom reading SAFETY MATCHES.

In the center is a pedestal labeled "U. S. M. Co." on which rests a lighted "lamp of learning" symbolical of the American Athens with "Boston" above it and "Mass." below the pedestal.

Regarding this stamp the Boston Book states as follows:—

Die approved, Oct. 1, 1864.
First Issued, Nov., 1864.
Last issued, Aug., 1875.
9,286,580 issued in black on old paper.
9,434,620 issued in black on silk paper.
210 stamps per sheet (14x15).

"Until December 31, 1864, this company was controlled by one Jenkins; on that date it passed to Cyrus Carpenter & Co.; both of these firms were of Boston, Mass. After July, 1867, it was transferred to the Eagle Match Co. (W. L. Heazleton & Co.), of Trenton, N. J., and again, on September 27, 1868, to the firm of Hendrickson & Leigh, also of Trenton, N. J. None of these companies or individuals made any change in the die. It afterwards became the property of Leigh & Palmer and they were succeeded by H. Leigh; both of these parties, who were also of Trenton, N. J., had the die altered to suit their business."

The Boston directory for 1865 lists the Universal Safety Match Co. at Roxbury and John P. Jewett, Agent. In 1866, the same address appears with D. B. Brooks & Bro., Agents, and in 1867 Jewett is again listed as agent of the Universal Patent Safety Match Co. at Roxbury. Apparently the stamp was used in Boston less than three years and only on the old paper there. For the succeeding four years it was used on old paper in Trenton and all of the silk paper were also used in Trenton.

The firm of Hendrickson & Leigh was composed of Israel Hendrickson, Jr., and Hutchinson Leigh. They first appear in the Trenton directories as grocers in 1867-68. From 1869 to 1875 they are listed as manufacturers of matches and paper boxes on Stockton St., near Front. The brick building they occupied at 123 S. Stockton St., is still standing and even now—fifty years later—is occupied by a paper box factory.

LEIGH & PALMER.

This firm succeeded Hendrickson & Leigh about 1875 and appears in the Trenton directories for 1876 and 1877 making paper boxes and matches at the Stockton St. factory. It consisted of Hutchinson Leigh and Joshua K. Palmer who is again listed in the directories for 1878 and 1879, but without occupation. His connection with the business probably lasted less than two years. The Boston Book states:—

Die approved, Jan. 28, 1876.
First issued, Feb., 1876.
Last issued, prior to Oct. 1, 1880.
3,139,500 issued in black on silk, pink and watermarked paper.

The Leigh & Palmer stamps were printed from a new plate made by altering the old U. S. M. Co. die. The address is changed to Trenton, N. J.; "U. S. M. Co." is erased from the pedestal; LEIGH & PALMER replaces SAFETY MATCHES and there are other minor changes. The new plate was made by the National Bank Note Co. and the stamps on silk and pink paper were printed by that concern. They may also have printed some or all of the stamps on watermarked paper. There are no definite indications that the American Bank Note Co. printed any of these stamps.

H. LEIGH.

Mr. Hutchinson Leigh first appears as sole owner of the paper box and match factory on Stockton St., Trenton, in the directory for 1878 and is listed as a match manufacturer at that address as late as 1887. His stamp is from a new plate made by altering the Leigh & Palmer die by changing the firm name and filling in the spaces at the ends of the label containing H. LEIGH with small ornaments. The plate was made by the Bureau and all the H. Leigh stamps were printed there. The Boston Book states:—

First issued, June 21, 1881.
Last issued, May 31, 1883.
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EDITORIAL.

Distributed—The statement that was made some months ago that a perforation of 12½ was being tried experimentally on a batch of one cent stamps will be remembered by some of our readers. At the time, the department admitted that a number of sheets had been run through a machine that gauged 12½ but added that a perforation of this size had not been adopted. The one cent surface print has been sent out in plate-number 10052 that we know of, with the 12½ perforation. Previously, we remarked that a comparatively large number of the one-cent stamps had been perforated according to the new gauge and that it was probable that they would be supplied to post offices. We said, too, that one or more denominations either of the documentary or proprietary stamps of the new issue had also been perforated likewise. If the 12½ perforation comes later as a standard, we suppose that the early plate-number would have to be depended upon to show the "experimental" sheets.

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Advised—In reference to the "I Polska Wystawa Marek" translation that was commented upon in recent issues, Mr. C. Stopa, Chicago, gives a few particulars. He says that instead of "First Polish Issue of Stamps," as one correspondent had it, the inscription is: "First Polish Exhibition of Stamps," as referring to the commemorative set of the Polish congress of 1919. Mr. Stopa thinks that it is possible that some of the stamps that are coming so prolifically from abroad may not have the full national sanction that the simon-pure postage stamp should have and that in consequence, the inscription is more important in some cases as proving governmental authorization than might be thought at first. Private enterprise could take the guise of the national product on the surface, but in reality the governmental monopoly may not be infringed upon, postally.

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Succession—An old friend writes: "I have a nephew attending the University in California and am gradually allowing my mantle of philately to fall upon his younger shoulders. He appears to be a real collector and it has been quite a pleasure to send him, gradually, as I am doing periodically, big bunches of the mass of duplicates that I possessed." It gratifies us to know that there are old collectors who set about systematically to inculcate a liking for philately on the part of the younger folks by actually giving away quantities of their duplicates that, we know, are of a grade that is worth having.

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Missed—Several subjects that called for comment in connection with the recent convention of the American Philatelic Society come to mind. The aerial flight from St. Louis to Chicago that was scheduled for August 19th, 1919, as a philatelic feature was postponed, much to the regret of the committee. That the plans could not be put into practice certainly may not be attributed to any lapse on the part of St. Louis. The menu of the banquet held at the Planters' Hotel, August 21st, was printed on the reverse side of a sheet that bore an impression from the "revamped" plate of the five cent, altered to ten cent, Confederate 1862, containing seventy subjects. The menu was a philatelic conception and cleverly handled stamp collecting terms in a gastronomic way.

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Aid—We now have an opportunity to speak further of the monumental labors of Mr. Aug. Dietz of Richmond, Virginia, and his co-workers on the forthcoming history of the stamps of the Confederacy. A word or two was promised several weeks ago but the convention news had precedence over all else. We are much interested in the coming event that is so tantalizingly casting its shadow before and through the consideration of Mr. Dietz, we are enabled to tell of the book from its inception. Mr. Dietz says: "When I first took up this work my intention was to keep within the limited scope of telling the story of the Confederate Postage Stamp as I gathered the threads from the reminiscent chats of the two men under whom I served 'my apprenticeship.' The thing 'grew on me' as I proceeded and gripped me with irresistable force to gather all the fragments and build something worth while and that would last,—far beyond an hour's reading. The end of the trail is in sight but still there are fragments I haven't found, perhaps not vitally necessary to the whole, but worth having. The idea suggested itself that some of these fragments might be brought to light and incorporated in the structure and that collectors could be called upon to tell whatever they may know about Confederates,—authenticated, documented dates and facts." We know that we have among our readers a number of keen students of the stamps and affairs of the Confederacy and we feel confident that they will listen responsively to Mr. Dietz' words. The thought of being helpful in the production of a great work is compensation indeed to the constructive mind. We shall follow with interest the finishing touches to the book of the year whose production is now assured.

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Remedy—A reader, Mr. Edward J. Andelfinger, New York, read of the disastrous experience of Mr. Albert J. Moore, Kennebunk, Maine, who suffered the loss of a package of postage stamps which are called third class matter by the department, through the oversight of his local postmaster in insuring them. We said that Mr. Moore probably could not obtain redress in view of the ruling of the authorities. Our correspondent says: "Referring to your editorial under the heading, 'Tough,' in the issue of August 16th, may I be allowed to suggest that there is a remedy in a case of this kind. The claimant may sue the postmaster personally for the loss occasioned by the latter's ignorance."

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Efficiency—From Mr. Raymond S. Williams, Hartford, Conn., we have the following modern instance which he says is a fact: "In calling at the West Hartford Post Office, I placed a letter on the counter and asked for ten one-cent stamps, whereupon the postmaster very kindly said: 'Are you going to post that letter?' Upon my answering in the affirmative, he said: 'Well, I will give you eight one-cent stamps and one two-cent stamp and please put the two-cent stamp on the envelope, as, if you place the two cent stamps on the envelope, I shall have to use my stamp twice in cancellation.'" Raise the P. M.'s salary.

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Welcome—When a back-slider returns, either penitent at the thought of his philatelic lapses or brazen over his absence, there is much rejoicing in the philatelic vine-yard and copious libations of grape-juice are poured out. Now comes S. W. Hacker, editor of the Peru, Nebraska, *Pointer*, who writes: "I have done nothing with stamps for the past twenty years but have always kept up my interest therein. Lately, I have become actively engaged in collecting again but find I am lost without some literature on the subject." All will be forgiven if editor Hacker will run philatelic fillers in his newspaper as occasion allows. In passing, it is to be said that there are a number of editors on our list and now that we are all pulling to reach the golden shores of philately, we ask that they help us in general publicity work. Even the most conscientious editor must admit that stamp items may be dressed up attractively for the public eye.

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During the war stamps issued by our navies and armies in occupation rose to fabulous prices on the stamp market, and they are still rising.

A couple of British occupation stamps for Baghdad, sold at the post office there for 3 annas in September 1917, are worth to-day $750. Two stamps issued by our troops in Togo at $2 face value could not be bought at $2500. today—there would be a good demand at that price, but there is no supply. Only two of each are known, and the two fortunate possessors (the King owns a specimen of each) are not likely to sell.

Since the armistice a new period of remarkable stamp issues has begun—stamps that reflect the new political and general conditions leading up to and establishing peace conditions.

The New Europe, or "Neurope," stamps, to use a word which I coined some months ago and which has been generally adopted to describe this group of stamps, already include a number of rarities. Here is an Austrian stamp of 10 kronen (less than 50c at the present rate of exchange) which was overprinted by the Italian at Trieste in November last. Its price to-day is $750, while the similar 10 kronen stamp overprinted at Trent is worth more than double that amount. Of the latter only eleven authentic copies are known and most, if not all, of these are now in the collections of high personages or of Italian museums.

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The value of many "Neurope" stamps has risen 100 to 1,000 per cent. in six months. For example, the Ukrainians during their brief occupation of Stanislau, the capital of Galicia, surcharged the Austrian stamps they captured there. The complete set of seventeen stamps I bought for a little under $85. seven or eight weeks ago cannot now be bought much under $500.

Since last November the newly independent Poland has issued over 100 varieties of stamps, some of which are already scarce, and only last week the regular issue of Poland came to hand, one of the denominations of which brings the portrait of Paderewski into our stamp albums.

But the remarkable investment value in "Neurope" stamps is only one phase of the interest in these new issues. A casual stroll round the Stamp Exhibition shows how these stamps have added enormously to the educational value of stamp collecting. Here, the boy collector can learn and understand more of the Peace Settlement than from the Treaty itself. Here are the stamps designed by the famous Czech artist Alfonse Mucha for Czecho-Slovakia, which can be bought from 2c upwards.

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A striking design appears on the Lubliana issue for the province of Carniola, which is to be part of South Slavia; it shows a nude young giant breaking free from the fetters which have oppressed him for generations. A full set in this design costs but 60c at present. Then there is a series for Croatia and another for Serbia and all these will soon be obsolete, for an issue is in preparation for use throughout the whole of South-Slavia.

The new geography, in the absence of the new maps, is best learned from the stamp album. The boy is father to the man in knowledge of the whereabouts of Esthonia, Lithuania, the Ukraine, Croatia. How many of my readers, apart from stamp enthusiasts, could tell offhand where is Cilicia and where is the Republic of Georgia?

The instructional value of the stamp album has as yet been insufficiently appreciated by our educational authorities, but among the new methods coming into vogue since the war I have been invited to work out a series of definite courses of instruction which will shortly bring the stamp album prominently into the schools and will, I trust, lighten the monotony of dull teaching methods and prove of some real practical service to education.—*Daily Mail.*

NEWS GLEANINGS.

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—We have received greetings from Harry E. Huber of Pittsburgh, who is on a visit to the Dominican Republic. At the time he was at Sanchez on his way to San Dominica City.

—Several correspondents have given us their experiences in procuring the U. S. stamps at the Shanghai Agency. Herman W. Boers writes us that for a remittance of $5 he secured a complete set lacking the 7c and 12c—the latter being used for postage. He suggests that with the fluctuation that exists in the price of silver, collectors will do well to remit something over $5 in order to secure a complete set. Any left-over money could be taken up in duplicates.

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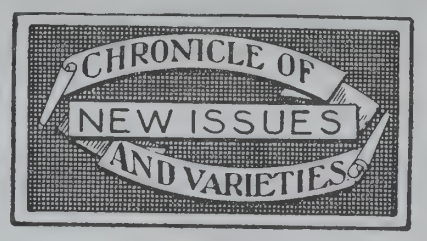

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.
The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—In our issue of last week we mentioned the fact that the 1c offset print had been located, perforated 12½ instead of the normal 11. On investigation we find that these stamps were perforated on the Rosback perforating machine which was on trial at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. If your editor remembers correctly, this machine enabled the Bureau to perforate several sheets at the same time instead of one sheet at the time as at present. The machine evidently did not meet the expectations of the officials for we learn that it has been returned to the owners. In all, 6,641 sheets were perforated, each sheet consisting of four hundred subjects, making 2,656,400 stamps in all.

Although the Bureau informs us that no other denomination except the 1c stamp was so perforated, they make no mention that all of these stamps were postage and not revenue. Mr. John E. Lord, who is acquainted with the designer of this machine, was informed by him that he was at the Bureau at the time the machine was in operation and that not only postage stamps were perforated but also the current 1c documentary. How many were postage and how many were revenue we cannot say, but we do know that all of the postage stamps were placed on sale in Washington and that the supply did not last long. The supply at the main office became exhausted in a couple days and those at the branches did not last much longer. We will await with interest advice that the 1c documentary with this perforation has been located and we trust any of our readers finding such a specimen will inform us at once.

Mr. Wm. A. Geiger informs us that while recently passing through Washington he stopped at the post office to obtain a few stamps to mail some postals and on examination found that these had a different perforation. He inquired of the clerk for information and was informed that the Washington post office had been using the engraved stamps for some time but that recently a few of the offset had been sent through. It therefore looks to us as if all of the perforated 11 offset 1c stamps on hand had been issued by the Bureau some weeks back and that these perforated 12½ stamps had been put aside awaiting detailed instruction as to what disposition should be made of them. It will be recalled that your editor published a letter some weeks back wherein he was officially informed that no stamps other than the perf. 11 had been issued. This looks as if the Bureau knew at the time that these experimental stamps were still in their possession and therefore could rightly say that they had not been issued. They, however, did not tell us that such stamps were on hand, which means that when we want definite information we must so word our question that there can be no doubt as to what we want.

As a matter of record the following letter from the Bureau will be of interest:—

"Treasury Department,
Bureau of Engraving and Printing,
Washington, D. C., August 29, 1919.
Mr. Philip H. Ward, Jr.,
P. O. B. 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa.

Dear Sir:—I am in receipt of your letter of the 26th inst. in which you state that you have received a pane of one hundred 1c green offset stamps, perforated about 12½, and that you would like to be advised as to the number to be printed, where they were to be distributed and incidently mention if any other values were perforated in that way.

In reply I beg to state that there were 6,641 four hundred subject sheets perforated on the Rosback perforating machine which was on trial in this Bureau. The total output was delivered to the Washington Post Office. The perforating machine was not used on any other denomination and has been returned to the Rosback Company.

Very truly yours,
(Signed) JAMES L. WILMETH,
Director."

Mr. George Soulman, that wide awake collector who sends us items of interest almost weekly, this time shows us a block of four of the 1c blue proprietary stamp which has a decided scratch on the plate. This occurred on the entire lot of 100 panes in exactly the same position. Its location is in the upper left pane, stamps Nos. 38-39 and Nos. 48-49. The scratch, which is quite strong, runs diagonally from the upper left corner of the block towards the lower right corner.

We desire to make this weekly chronicle just as interesting and full of new information as possible and we would like to locate even more friends than we have at present, who will write us promptly on the finding of anything out of the beaten path. During the last year we do not recall a single new United States variety that was listed elsewhere ahead of the WEEKLY and we hope our many readers will help us to keep up this good record.

ARGENTINE.—Mr. F. L. Onken reports that the current 2c stamp is now on paper watermarked EV and submits to us a copy for inspection. The watermarking is in double line capitals.

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BELGIUM.—*Stamp Collecting* notes that the new stamp of 10c value contains the head of King Albert and that there is to be a special stamp for Liege showing the coat of arms of that town of splendid memory and the entire series is to run concurrently with the present issue. There is also to be a new "Postage Due" issue—these labels being urgently required.

BOSNIA.—Mr. A. O. Tittmann advises that he has received a postcard from Serajevo, which bore the 2 and 10h Austro-Bosnian stamps without any overprint. Both are perforated. This would make it appear that the Bosnians are using up the old Austrian stock without going to the trouble of overprinting it.

ESTHONIA.—Mr. Th. Allard advises us that new stamps have been issued with values expressed in "penni" instead of kopek. First there was issued a 5 penni stamp, yellow brown, the design showing two sea gulls flying over the sea and inscribed "Eesti Wabariik" at the foot. The design not being approved, the stamps were withdrawn after being on sale three days. The whole number printed was 30,000. The stamp was imperforate and the size of the design 18x25 mm. Further was issued a 5 penni stamp, yellow, imperforate, the design showing a large 5 and over the top "Eesti" and below "Post." The size of the design was 16½x21 mm. The stamp was soon sold out even while the old kopek stamps were still in use. Another new stamp of the same design as the latest 5 penni was issued but perforated. Perforation 11½x11½, printed on very thin paper. The first of July a new stamp was issued of the 35 penni value with the same design and description as the Eesti Wabariik stamp mentioned above, but the size only measures 15x21 mm. It is printed in blue on thin paper and imperforate. The first issue has been discovered in many different shades and with small plate errors. The 35 kopec has been found printed on both sides.

FEDERATED MALAY STATES.—Mr. C. L. Harte-Lovelace advises us that the new type of the 4c stamp is now at hand and that it is printed by a single instead of double process, in sheets of 240 instead of 120. It has a thin bar and thick white space to the central design under "Malay" instead of vice versa. There are also other differences, but these are enough to distinguish the two types; type was in use from February to May of this year. Mr. Harte-Lovelace also advises the new 10c, blue, has been issued.

KEDAH.—Mr. C. L. Harte-Lovelace sends us the information that owing to a shortage of stamps in this country Straits Settlements are being used there officially pro tem.

LEVANT (*Roumanian P. O.*).—*Apropos* of the reopening of the British Post Office in Smyrna and Constantinople, it is stated that Roumania has also arranged for the reinstatement of her local agency and that the current Roumanian stamps have been overprinted with the word "Constantinople" in a circle, in red.—*Stamp Collecting.*

NICARAGUA.—Mr. A. O. Tittmann sends us the following information:—

"I received a few days ago from Bluefields, the current 20c stamp with the overprint 'Vale 5 Centavos' in black in two lines. My correspondent writes me that the Bluefields post-office has been without stamps since April and that the new supply from Granada in

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the interior has not yet arrived. At first 1, 4 and 5 centavos, revenue stamps were used, but these are exhausted, at least the 5 cts. value, so the 20 cts. postage stamp was converted into a provisional 5 cts. From this information and the appearance of the overprint, which also lacks the words 'de Cordoba', it would seem that the printing was done locally, and the stamp may turn out to be a good one."

ORANGE RIVER COLONY.—R. J. C. Brown calls our attention to an irregularity that he has noticed in a copy of No. 43. The large "2" has a short vertical line from the right end of the heavy bottom line in the normal type but the one he submits shows this short line entirely missing.

ROUMANIA.—Mr. Arthur W. Rothchild (member London Stamp Club), of 19 Albany Street, Regent's Park, N. W. 1, writes:—

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SWEDEN.—From July 1 the postal rates were raised. From that date a postcard and letter in local traffic costs 10 öre (formerly 7 öre) and another letter 15 öre instead of 12 öre. The registration fee is as before, 15 öre; thus a registered letter, weighing below 20 gr., costs 30 öre. The 7, 12, and 27 öre stamps have been withdrawn. A 3 öre stamp, adhesive as well as official, has been issued in brown colour in current types. An air-post route between Stockholm and Göteborg will be organized at the end of the summer. The postage will be the usual postage plus 20 öre for express delivery and 1kr for air-postage. Thus a letter below 20 gr. costs 1.35 kr. It is not determined if a special air-post stamp will be issued. —*Stamp Collecting.*

SWITZERLAND.—We are indebted to Messrs. J. R. Nichols and Frank Kocker for submitting the new stamps of this country. They are oblong in shape and measure 26x41 mm. and each is of different design.

7½ olive, picturing two soldiers grasping hands with "1919" and a shining light directly above. The value is in the upper right corner and "Helvetia" at the left from top to bottom.

10 red, shows a woman with a spray in her right and a bouquet in her left hand. The value is in the upper right corner and at the bottom "Helvetia 1919."

15 plum, has an image representing a wounded soldier resting on his side with a broken sword, above is a light with the word PAX and across the top in yellow is "Helvetia", the value being at each end of the stamp while at the bottom is the date "1919". It is a very attractive set and each stamp bears the following names:

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URUGUAY.—Mr. Fred L. Onken sends us copies of two new stamps from this country. The 5c blue is of the type referred to in issue 1491 and has in a frame at the top "Republica O del Uruguay" in two lines, while at the bottom is the "Correos" and just below "5 centisimos 5". The middle of the stamp has a picture of the Hill of Montevideo and the sun above the frame. The other is the 8c value and is brown with a picture of the Liberty Statue in the middle printed in blue, 1914 on the lower left and 1919 on the lower right. The same wording is at the top as in the first stamp, although of smaller printing, and the value is at the bottom.

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The years 1853 and 1854 showed a vastly different output than the preceding issues. Instead of the clear, bright colors of 1851 and 1852 the printings ranged from muddy lake (no pun intended) to pale rose. The plates were worn and dirty, and showed it. Printings seem to have been very numerous, and no two of them alike.

1855 printings have at least the advantage of uniformity. The color is a dull orange red and one quickly learns to identify it. All of the recuts or retouches show up clearly on the printings of this year, so to my mind they are particularly desirable for study purposes.

Late in 1855 printings from new plates made their appearance. These were in a new lot of shades of red which ranged from a pale lilac brown to deep claret or lake.

Practically all of the stamps from 1851 to 1855 had double lines at the sides, while the stamps from the new plates show only single side lines. The imperforate stamps from these plates are scarcer than the others, as the older plates seem to have been cleaned up in 1856 and new printings made from them which were issued in 1857 until the first perforated stamps made their appearance, some time in July.

While practically all of the 3c stamps printed between '51 and '56 showed two lines at each side, there are some notable exceptions. These were described in detail some years ago by Dr. Carroll Chase, who it is now reasonable to hope may complete the publication of his work on these stamps. The exceptions are a few stamps showing only one line on one side and two lines on the other side of a stamp; those showing three lines on one side and but two on the other; and those showing four lines on one side and two on the other.

According to Dr. Chase, unless I have misread him, the stamps with four frame lines at right are 600 times as scarce as an unclassified 3c '51; those with three lines on the left are 200 times as scarce; those with three lines on the right side are about 250 times; those with only one side line at right are as

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scarce as those with four side lines; and those with one side line at left about 300 times. Multiply those figures by the catalog value and you have what would be the approximate value of these varieties if all collectors recognized and sought them; but as for every thousand collectors who are satisfied to represent the 3c '51 in their albums with a nickel's worth of mutilated or heavily cancelled reddish paper, there are about 25 who want and are willing to pay for these varieties the actual market value drops down to a fraction of the figure indicated. A 3c '51 with one recut line sold above $15.00 at a New York auction last season. That recut line may have been one of the extra side line varieties or merely a single recut in one of the "triangles". In any event the stamps with extra side lines are major and easily recognized varieties next in importance to the principal varieties of color.

Shifts, or double transfers, I rate next to the extra line varieties. There are a number of these interesting varieties, some of them very easy to identify when encountered, others requiring the trained eye of the student. Most prominent is that showing the "line through Three Cents". It is generally called a $5 stamp, but anyone with a nice copy to dispose of at a ten per cent advance on that figure can address the merchandise to me in care of the editor of the WEEKLY and get a quick return.

Another interesting stamp is that showing the triple shift, described a few months ago by Mr. H. P. Atherton. The upper left rosette has three centers, and the rays of the lower right rosette show quite clearly on Washington's shoulder.

There are several shifts showing two rings in the center of one or more rosettes, and several at least which show a clearly doubled outer line at the bottom of the stamps. Shifts showing more or less duplication in the labels at top or bottom are more difficult to identify and consequently of less interest.

A minor plate variety that is easily identified is the one known as the "gash on the shoulder". It is a nearly horizontal curving line just above the button on Washington's shoulder. This is found in almost all the printings from one of the early plates, both in the original state and in the 1857 issues, both perforated and imperf.

When it comes to the minor varieties of recuts, their name is legion. There are about as many varieties of recut labels, triangles, and diamond blocks, as there were stamps in each of the first three plates. Sometimes lines that should be parallel converge; sometimes lines that should stop, keep right on going and so join the labels and diamond blocks, or the triangles and diamond blocks; and other lines that should keep on going to an obvious destination, stop short and leave breaks in the recuttings of the side lines. One of the oddest of the recuts is that running across the top and half way down the side of the upper left diamond block. The commonest form of recut triangle is that showing one short vertical line down the left side of the upper left triangle; more difficult to find are those with two to five recut vertical lines. These little retouch marks are of great value to anyone plating the stamps. They command fair premiums in some cases, but their greatest value lies in the fun to be had in studying them out.

Most collectors of the 3c '51 pay more attention to cancellations than to anything else. A bright green gridiron cancellation will stir envy in the breast of any non-possessor, while a good green town cancellation comes next. Not far behind are the red gridiron and town marks, for though red was the commonest color used in cancelling the '47 issue it was not often employed on the '51 issue. Boston used a red town cancellation an a black "PAID" and frequently both marks fell on the stamps, but the "PAID" was such a blobby affair as seldom to be attractive.

Blue town and black town cancellations are both common, but blue grids are far scarcer than black ones.

Numerals, especially when in colors other than black, are desirable, and an occasional oddity turns up in the form of "5" or "10" from the '47 issue.

Railroad, steamboat, steamship cancellations are scarce and desirable. Particularly interesting are some of the private post cancellations from California and the far West, such as "Boise & Salt Lake City Express", "Via Nicaragua In Advance of the Mails". Another popular marking is the "U. S. Express Mail, to Boston", or "to New York". Any of these command premiums of from one to five Dollars from real fans on cancellations.

Pairs, strips and blocks of the 3c '51 were held at no great premium until recently. Good pairs were to be had for a few cents, and even a used block of four was nothing to brag about. Now a decent pair fetches from 50c up, and passable strips from 50c to $1 per stamp. Blocks, I guess, are framed and sent to the Metropolitan. At least I haven't seen one in a dealer's stock in the past two years.

If you have an accumulation of 3c '51's, give yourself a surprise by looking them over for fine, lightly cancelled copies, with four good margins; in a hundred stamps you may find five fine copies. If you find you have more such copies than you need and are willing to accept double catalog for them, address yourself to the writer, care WEEKLY.

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The Philatelic Institute of London, of which Fred J. Melville is the promotor, is issuing a series of tests for its pupils. One before us deals with a recent discovery that a new plate has been made for the 4c Federated Malay States stamp. This stamp was first printed from a key and a duty plate as shown by a thick line around the key plate. The later stamp is printed from a single plate and the central device is enclosed within a thin border line. The card upon which the stamps are mounted bears the inscription "Use Your Eyes," accompanied by a paragraph of instructions, with ample space for the student's comment and signature. Mr. Melville writes that this is only one of a number of tests in connection with the Institute course of instruction in stamp collecting.

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There are a number of Panama stamps Scott's catalog Nos. 191-192-193-196-201-202 which were used for revenue, and are finding their way into the markets as postally used stamps.

I have seen a number of the above stamps with the following described cancellations:

The Nos. 191-192-193 bear a cancellation with a three ring circle. The outer circle is 46 mm. in diameter and is wider than the others. There is a distance of 1 mm. between the outer circle and the one next to it. The inner circle is 33 mm. in diameter, and between the both inner circles are the words REPUBLICA DE PANAMA above, and TESORERIA GENERAL below, 2 mm. high and 2 mm. wide, having an asterisk between Republica de Panama, and Tesoreria General. The Panama coat of arms are in center. Ink used for cancellation is "violet." The marking is without date, month or year.

The Nos. 196-201-202 bear cancellations of the business houses, in different colors of ink. Many have Chinese characters, and names, and some are cancelled with different pencil marks, — also with pen and ink.

The stamps above described used for revenue purposes are being sold cheap. I believe that when a collector buys a postage stamp, he should get a postage stamp for his money, and not a revenue stamp.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—The Hussman Stamp Co. reports the find of a cover upon which is a block of eleven 5c 1851. As a block of twelve, it is minus the upper left-hand corner stamp. This find is surely unique.

—Henry Mohler writes us as follows from Shanghai, China:—"The newly surcharged U. S. stamps on sale here can only be purchased with Mexican money. To buy unsurcharged stamps one must have U. S. money. The reason for this is that when they had the unsurcharged stamps the P. O. would set a rate for a week or so, while the bank rate would change every day. This system did not suit some of the people and upon complaints being made to Washington the surcharged stamps resulted."

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from J. L. Weber, E. D. Swartout, John A. Solomon, Lucien B. Wellborn, Maitland Milliken.

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—If anybody has had unsatisfactory dealing with The Hermes Stamp Co., Box 76, Cape Cottage, Me., write Axel Johansen, who will settle the company's debts.

—Carl Young calls our attention to the fact that G. Masovcich of Trieste is putting out a price list in which he brazenly offers counterfeits of the rare 10kr Venezia Giulia. He says the surcharging is a "perfect imitation."

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EDITORIAL.

News—Through the good offices of several of our friends we have been enabled to give our readers particulars in the development of details in the printing of our stamps and the information given in our columns about the 12½ perforation was singularly interesting in the light of the appearance of the one cent surface printed stamps, in this perforation, in the post offices. We now have been told that the machine on which the stamps perforated 12½ were treated has not been accepted by the authorities, not because of defects of any kind whatever, but evidently because the department is perfecting a perforating machine, probably for use in connection with the four hundred subject circular plates, the making of which has been announced, on which the perforating will be done on the same machine that performs the printing. This would indicate the probability that the stamps then will be printed from a roll of paper instead of sheets. Developments will be awaited.

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Continued—We have been favored with further particulars of the printing, so far as the perforating is concerned, from the man who did all the perforating 12½ on the "Rosback" machine; and here we may say that there is another denomination of the set, of which "perhaps half" of the number of the one cent that were issued, were produced. We understand that thirty packages of 50,000 each of the one cent were available; and another source supplies the figures, 1,386,400. It would seem that there are enough of the perforation variety to meet the demands. Here is a sidelight on a question that has entered the minds of many collectors: "We do not suppose that there is any law that would prevent anyone from securing the imperforate stamps and having them perforated, but the post office department has informed us that they do not approve of such methods and in fact would do everything in its power to prevent the production of stamps under these conditions." The further statement is made that millions of stamps yearly are destroyed because of some little mechanical imperfection arising in the process of manufacture. The "Rosbacks" certainly are called experimental perforations, advisedly.

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Frights—From Brigadier-General H. H. Bandholtz of the "American Commission to Negotiate Peace," Budapest, Hungary, we have received a complete set of five of "Bolshevist special design stamps of Hungary." We learn that they were in use from June 12th to August 2nd, 1919, and it is said that "they seem to be very scarce unused and rarities used." Our informant says: "The Bolshevist government under Bela Kun was in power from last March 21st to August 2nd and also turned out surcharges, always red, of the 1916-18 issue with changes in some of the denominations. The set (20) consisted of 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40, 45, 50 and 95 heller; and 1, 1.20, 1.40, 2, 3, 5 and 10 kroner." Brigadier-General Bandholtz, who is the American member of the Interallied Mission of General Officers to the certain section of Europe, says that he has no statistics of the number of Bolshevist Hungarians in question and it is just as well, as while the set is a bi-colored, portrait gallery on watermarked paper, the faces are too large for the frames and some of them are grotesque in their suggestion of fierceness. The pictures of Marx, Petofi, Martinovics, Dozsa and Engels are on the 20, 45, 60, 75 and 80 filler, respectively; and the stamps are lithographed.

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Pronounced—It is something to arouse our jaded interest in double prints, etc., of our stamps in these days of unconventional philatelic productions, but Mr. Lyman J. Seely, Hammondsport, New York, submits a double print of the current one cent documentary revenue that hits our sense of the bizarre between the eyes. It is difficult to find the original design of the stamp, as the second impression (perhaps there is even a third) clouds the first in a way to make the heart of the oddity lover rejoice. As Mr. Seely says: "This speaks for itself." The stamp is not a sight for sore eyes; in fact, it makes well eyes sore to look at it for any length of time.

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Forbear—In his goodness of soul, Mr. Eugene Tillens, Jr., Shreveport, Louisiana, arises to say a kind word: "Referring to the 'blotting out of existence' of stamps, I, too, have wailed and gnashed my teeth over just such examples of Prussian 'efficiency', but why should we blame the P. O. C., who has been forced to bear the brunt of our wrath in many another instance? By referring to Sec. 539 of the Postal Laws and Regulations, we find: 'Postmasters shall cancel stamps on mail matter by the use of cancelling ink furnished by the department and shall thoroughly and completely deface the stamps.' Perhaps, the poor chap was doing only his darnedest to hold his job." The postal clerk is a friend to the collector, as a rule, and it is a cruel and unnecessary pastime to heave rocks at him when occasionally his hands shake in applying the dauber.

Growing—More notice than ever before is being taken of philately and its value as a "hobby" seems to be a popular theme with the publicists at present. Mr. H. E. Deats, Flemington, New Jersey, writes: "In the *Scientific American* for August 23rd, page 108, is an editorial 'Hobbies and Hobbyists,' which is worth reading and perhaps reprinting. There must be a philatelist on the staff." A copy of the paper was sent us by Mr. A. W. Filstrup, Benton Harbor, Michigan, and we enjoyed the article, as it reflected philatelic phases true to life.

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Mentioned—From Mr. W. F. King we have received a copy of the *Postage Stamp* of Denver, but it is not a descendant of the old *Stamp* of that city; and it has not the slightest philatelic flavor of the collector who from the name of the periodical anticipated a treat. We have been given a sheet of paper that enclosed mail from the Army of Occupation in Germany on which we find a German watermark and the printed inscription, "American Expeditionary Forces, Young Men's Christian Association, Army of Occupation." On an old printed circular sent out by a large New York City Sugar refinery, in one of the Hussey local stamped wrappers, under date of August 17th, 1858, the enterprising statement is made at the end of the advertisement: "Postage on our circulars always prepaid."

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Next—The succeeding number will be our 1500th issue of this paper; and readers may depend upon receiving a number that will cause the season to open with a bang. While, incidentally, we shall pat ourselves on the back because of the evidence of our longevity, yet underlying all this is the desire to start the best season that philately will know, with a whoop.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—Milton P. Lyons, Jr., announces this week a change in his office. Hereafter he will be located at 34 S. 18th St., Philadelphia, where he has two nice large office rooms. Our congratulations to Mr. Lyons.

—We welcome back to our columns this week L. W. Charlat, 537 Fifth Ave., N. Y. City. Mr. Charlat, who was established in the stamp business in 1899, is an old advertiser who has been with us from time to time and has now taken space for the coming season. He will be found regularly on page 5. In recent months he has found it quite impossible to handle additional business efficiently, owing to lack of help due to war conditions. Mr. Charlat writes us that the demand for fine stamps is strong.

—Bright & Son are under contract to complete this month the purchase of their premises at 164 Strand, London. The purchase price is about $50,000 and this shows the faith the firm has in the stability of the stamp trade.

—The C. E. Hussman Stamp Co. states that they can get no replies to letters mailed R. T. Goode of Salem, Ore. Similar complaints have been registered against this party in the past.

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A PHILATELIC DICTIONARY.

By BERTRAM W. H. POOLE.

(Continued from page 295.)

SMALL STAR WATERMARK.—One of the types of star watermarks found in British colonial stamps, so named in contradistinction from "large" and "broad" stars of somewhat similar design.

S. M. P.—These letters appear at the top of the design of the stamps issued for local use in Medellin, Colombia, in 1894.

SMIRNE.—The Italian rendering of Smyrna as shown overprinted on stamps supplied for the use of the Italian post office in that city.

SMYRNA.—An important city of Turkey in Asia of the greatest antiquity. The Italian and Russian governments have both issued specially overprinted stamps for the use of their consular offices established in the city.

SMYRNE.—The French form of Smyrna as overprinted on Russian stamps issued for use there.

S. O.—An overprint, meaning "Stamp Office", found on the 2c rose stamps of the 1882 issue for Hong Kong. These stamps were intended for some specific revenue purpose, but were allowed to be used for postage without question.

SOBREPORTE.—The inscription shown on the postage due stamps of Colombia meaning, literally, "over-postage".

SOCIEDADE PORTUGUEZA DA CRUZ VERMELHA.—The inscription shown on the private stamp used by the Red Cross Society of Portugal.

SOL (plural, Soles).—The unit of value in Peru which is worth about 48c in American money.

SOLDO (plural, Soldi).—The value expressed upon the stamps of Tuscany and the early issues of Austrian Italy. In Tuscany the soldo, twenty of which were equal to a lira, was worth about 1c in United States currency, while the soldo of Austrian Italy, 100 of which equalled a florin, had a value of less than half a cent.

SOMALI COAST.—(See French Somali Coast.)

SOMALIA ITALIANA.—(Italian Somaliland.) An overprint applied to Italian postage due stamps in 1909 for use in the colony of Benadir.

SOMALIA ITALIANA MERIDIONALE.—An overprint shown on Italian postage due stamps used in Benadir in 1906. It means "Southern Italian Somaliland".

SOMALILAND PROTECTORATE.—A portion of Somaliland with a coast line of 450 miles which has been a British protectorate since 1884. Special postage stamps were not issued until 1903.

SOMERSET HOUSE.—The headquarters of the Inland Revenue department in Great Britain. Here all the imprimatur sheets of the postage stamps are kept and all business appertaining to stamps is transacted.

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SONORA.—An important state in the north-western portion of Mexico at which the now well-known "white and green seal" provisional stamps were issued in 1913.

SONGPY.—The value shown on one of the stamps issued in Siam in 1883. A songpy, 16 of which were equal to a tical, was worth about 2c in American money.

SORUTH.—An Indian state in the peninsula of Kathiawar more generally known to geographers as Junaghar or Junagarh. Its first postage stamps were issued in 1864.

SOUDAN.—An overprint shown on certain stamps of Egypt, in conjunction with Arabic characters, used in the Sudan in 1897.

SOUDAN FAIS.—An overprint found on certain French Colonial stamps of the "Peace and Commerce" type used in French Soudan in 1894. The second word is an abbreviation for "Francais."

SOUDAN FRANCAIS.—The inscription shown on the stamps of French Soudan.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.—The centrally situated state of the Australian Commonwealth. Its first postage stamps were issued in 1855.

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UNITED STATES.—Dr. William Evans has just shown us a most unusual as well as interesting error of perforation. He has located in the Norfolk Post Office, the two lower right panes of 100 each, from sheets Nos. 9191 and 9494, of the 2c unwatermarked, perforated 11 horizontally but imperforate vertically. In other words, there are no vertical perforations whatsoever. This variety was evidently due to the fact that when the sheet was run through the press for the vertical perforations, only the knife was down, and as a result the perforating wheel did not cut the sheet. Of course, when it was run through the machine the other way it was perforated horizontally in the normal manner. The error will without question prove to be of great rarity, and we doubt if more will be found.

We recall that Stanley Gibbons, Inc., found a similar sheet of the 3c some months back and these were placed on the market and sold before we had the opportunity of even seeing them. These varieties are not to be confused with those panes where one row of perforations are blind.

1919 Unwatermarked, Perforated 11,
2c red, imperforate vertically.

We described in an issue of recent date a copy of the 4c NARCOTICS provisional, black rubber stamp surcharge, with the final "S". We have since seen the 5c value and are pleased to be able to inform our readers that this is the St. Louis surcharge and that probably all values through the $1 exist. We are certainly getting together a most complete collection of these "NARCOTIC" stamps and we trust if any of our readers have varieties that we have not chronicled that they will send them for our inspection with as much information relative to the origin of the stamps as possible.

Some months back Mr. A. S. Davenport brought our attention to the fact that the Bureau had surcharged the 1c Documentary for use on cigarette tubes and we mentioned this fact in the WEEKLY.

Mr. Wm. B. McLain now shows us a pair of this variety and we find that the surcharge is in heavy block capitals in two lines reading horizontally across the stamp CIGTTE TUBES. These stamps are used to pay the tax placed upon cigarette tubes by the recent "Act of 1919." The 1c value is the only one so surcharged.

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doubted its existence. At last we are able to obtain some additional details from our correspondent which seems to confirm our doubts. We are informed that our correspondent on calling at the Cincinnati Post Office was shown by the clerk two of these errors, which he bought, and was advised that the previous party at the window had bought thirteen. It, however, is hard to understand why the clerk sold them to a party he did not know, especially when he was aware that it was printed in the wrong color. The sad part of the tale, however, is yet to come. The lucky purchaser of the two happened shortly after to be riding in his machine in Michigan, became stuck in the mud, and was kindly helped out by a fellow philatelist, from Connecticut, whom he did not know. He had, however, the two error envelopes in his pocket at the time, and gave them both to our New England friend. We have heard many explanations in the past regarding stamp finds, but we must say that this story deserves the blue ribbon. If that lucky Connecticut collector will write us, we will gladly send him a red error to go with his green.

We also wish to thank Dr. George H. Smith, Messrs. Wm. M. Layman, Harold Salzberg, and P. F. Robertson, for notes and clippings of interest.

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II. An overprint found on certain Luxemburg stamps intended for official use. The letters signify "Service Publique" (Public Service).

SPANDREL.—The space between the rectangular border of a stamp and the central circle, oval, or other form (not rectangular) enclosing the effigy or central design.

SPAIN.—A kingdom occupying the larger portion of the south-western peninsula of Europe. Postage stamps were first issued in 1850.

SPANISH GUINEA.—A Spanish possession in West Africa on the coast of the Gulf of Guinea. Postage stamps were first issued in 1902.

SPANISH MOROCCO.—Spain, like many other of the European Powers, maintains post offices at certain towns in Morocco. Since 1903 all Spanish stamps used in these offices have been specially overprinted.

SPARTANBURG.—A town of South Carolina. In 1861 the then postmaster caused special 5c stamps to be issued and these later were replaced by the general issue for the Confederate States.

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S. P. M.—An overprint found on many French colonial stamps intended for use in the colony of St. Pierre and Miquelon.

SPOORWEGEN. — The Flemish equivalent of "Chemins de fer" (railways) shown upon all the parcel post stamps of Belgium issued since 1895.

S. P. MEXICANO.—This inscription is shown on the special Carranza commemorative stamps issued in Mexico in June, 1916. The two first letters are for "Servicio Postal" the whole inscription meaning Mexican postal service.

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S. R. M.—These initials are shown on some of the stamps of Holstein and refer to the currency—"Skilling Reichs Münze".

S. T.—An overprint found on certain South Australian stamps used during the period 1868-74 upon the correspondence of the Superintendent of Telegraphs. They were suppressed in 1874 in favor of the general issue, overprinted "OS", for all government departments.

STADT POST AMT.—The inscription shown on the first stamps of Bremen meaning "Town Post Administration."

STADT POST BASEL.—The only inscription on the stamps of Basle meaning "Town post of Basle".

STADT POST BRIEF.—An inscription shown on the local stamp issued for Hamburg under the auspices of the North German Confederation. It signifies "Town Postage stamp".

STAMPEL.—This word meaning "stamp" is found on some of the newspaper stamps of Austria.

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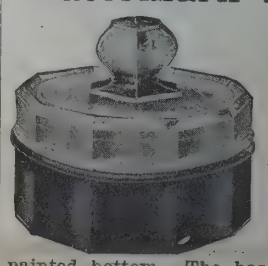

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321	2c carmine	.20
322	5c blue	.48
323	1908, 1c green, 2 mm.	.20
	1c green, 3 mm.	.25
323a	1c green, 2½ mm.	.20
323b	1c green, 2 mm.	.40
324	2c carmine, 2 mm.	.24
	2c carmine, 3 mm.	.32
324a	2c carmine, 2½ mm.	.32
325	3c violet, 2 mm.	.32
326	4c brown, 2½ mm.	.40
326a	4c brown, 2½ mm.	.48
329	8c olive, 2 mm.	.75
330	10c yellow, 2 mm.	1.40
331	13c blue-green, 2 mm.	1.00
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335	1909, 2c Lincoln, 2 mm.	.35
	2c Lincoln, 3 mm.	.24
335a	2c Lincoln, 3 mm.	.24
	2c Lincoln, 2 mm.	.60
335b	2c Lincoln, 2 mm.	1.20
336	2c Alaska	.16
336a	2c Alaska	.32
337	2c Hudson	.16
337a	2c Hudson	.32
339	1910, 2c carmine, 2½ mm.	.20
	2c carmine, 3 mm.	.24
342	5c blue, 2½ mm.	.60
347	1912, 1c green	.12
348	2c carmine	.20
350	10c orange	1.40
355	1c green	.10
355a	1c green	.12
356	2c carmine	.20
356a	2c carmine	.48
	2c rose-red	.48
	2c deep carmine	.60
360	10c orange-yellow	1.20
362	15c gray	1.40
364	30c vermilion	2.40
365	50c lavender	4.00
369	1914, 1c green	.08
370	2c carmine	.20
	2c pink back	.40
370a	2c rose	.20
370b	2c rose-red	.20
371	3c violet	.40
372	4c brown	.40
	Off-center	.24
373	5c blue	.60
374	6c orange, 3 mm.	.45
375	7c black	.75
376	8c olive, a new one	1.00
377	9c salmon pink	.90
378	10c orange-yellow	1.10
379	11c dark green	1.00
380	12c brown-claret	1.20
	12c maroon, a new one	1.20
382	15c gray	1.40
	Off-center	1.00
389	1916, 1c green	.40
389a	1c green	.12
390	2c rose	.20
390a	2c rose	.16
391a	3c violet	.24
392	4c brown	.60
395	6c orange	1.00
397	8c sap green	1.00
399	10c orange-yellow	2.00
400	11c dark green	1.50
401	12c deep claret	1.80
403	20c ultramarine	3.00
404	30c vermilion	100.00

No.	Date.	Net
409	1917, 1c green	.08
410	2c rose	.16
411	3c Die I, I'll buy this.	
411c	3c Die II	.40
411d	3c Die II	.24
412	4c brown	.32
413	5c bright dark blue	.40
415	6c orange	.40
416	7c black	.48
417	8c light olive	.64
	8c bistre-olive	.64
418	9c salmon-pink	.72
419	10c orange-yellow	.72
420	11c dark green	.80
421	12c lake	.80
422	13c light yellow green	.88
423	15c gray	.88
424	20c ultramarine	1.20
425	30c vermilion	1.80
426	50c mauve	3.00
427	$1 brown-black	6.00
429	2c (off-center)	12.00
431	1918, 3c Type I (III) dull violet	.40
431	3c Type II (IV) pale violet	.40
	violet	.24
	double print	1.00
	deep violet	.24
	double print	1.00
	bright violet	.24
	double print	1.00
431b	3c Type II (IV)	.24
432	24c carmine and blue	2.00
433	16c green	1.20
435	$2 vermilion and black	10.00
436	$5 green and black	24.00
437	6c orange	.48
438	1c light green	.08
	1c green	.08
438a	1c dull green	.08
439	1919, 3c deep violet	.24
	3c violet	.24
	3c mauve	.24
	3c magenta-violet	2.00
	3c two stamps light and two dark	1.00
440	1c 11x10 (R. P.)	.20
441	2c 11x10 (R. P.)	.40
442	3c blue-violet 11x10 (R. P.)	1.00
	3c deep lilac 11x10 (R. P.)	1.00
2267	1917, 1c carmine-lake, 3 mm.	.10
	3c carmine-lake, 3 mm.	.40
	3c carmine-lake, 2 mm.	1.20
1898	1914, 10c ultramarine	1.00
1899	1916, 10c dull blue	1.00
	10c deep blue	1.00
1900	1917, 10c blue	.80
4301	1919, 1c rose and black	.60
4304	4c rose and black	.80
4306	8c rose and black	.80
4307	10c rose and black	.80
4316	2c rose and violet	.80
4317	3c rose and violet	.80
4318	4c rose and violet	.80
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Crete Off. 1908, 10, 30, 10, 30l	.25
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*Greece Charity 1914, 2, 5l	.05
*Greece 1916, 1, 2, 3l	.07
*Iceland 1915-17, 1, 3, 4, 5a	.08
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*Mozambique 1913, ½, ¾, 1, 1½, 2, 2½c	.15
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*Portugal Charity 1915, 1, 2c	.07
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1917-18, 1, 1½, 2, 3, 3½, 5, 7½c	.10
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* India 1919, War, 5r, 1t9r, 2t8r	.15
*Prussia 1903, complete	.05
Roumania 1907, Charity, 3, 5, 10, 15b	.10
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War 1918, 5, 10b	.35
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*St. Pierre 1909, 1, 2, 4, 5, 10c	.10
*Surinam 1913, ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 5c	.10
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327c	5c line pair	.75
327d	5c line pair	.75
338b	1c pair	.50
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	paste pair	1.00
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	paste pair	.20
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	line strip four	.30
	paste strip four	.30
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	line strip four	.50
	paste strip four	.50
	single	.08
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371b	3c line pair	
372a	4c pair	
	strip four	
	line pair	
	paste pair	
	line strip four	
	paste strip four	
	single	
373b	5c pair	
	strip four	
	line pair	
	line strip four	
	single	
389b	1c pair	
	strip four	
	line pair	
	line strip four	
	single	
389c	1c single	
390b	2c pair	
	line pair	
	strip four	
	line strip four	
	single	
391b	3c pair Die I	
	single	
391c	3c pair	
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244a	$4 rose-carmine	6.0
245	$5 black	7.0
248	1894, 2c rose-pink	
257	8c puce	
260	50c orange	1.5
266	1895, 2c carmine	.3
267	2c carmine	.0
276	$1 black	2.0
280b	1898, 4c orange-brown	.3
282b	6c claret	.4
283	10c orange-brown	.8
328	1908, 6c on bluish one str. edge	2.5
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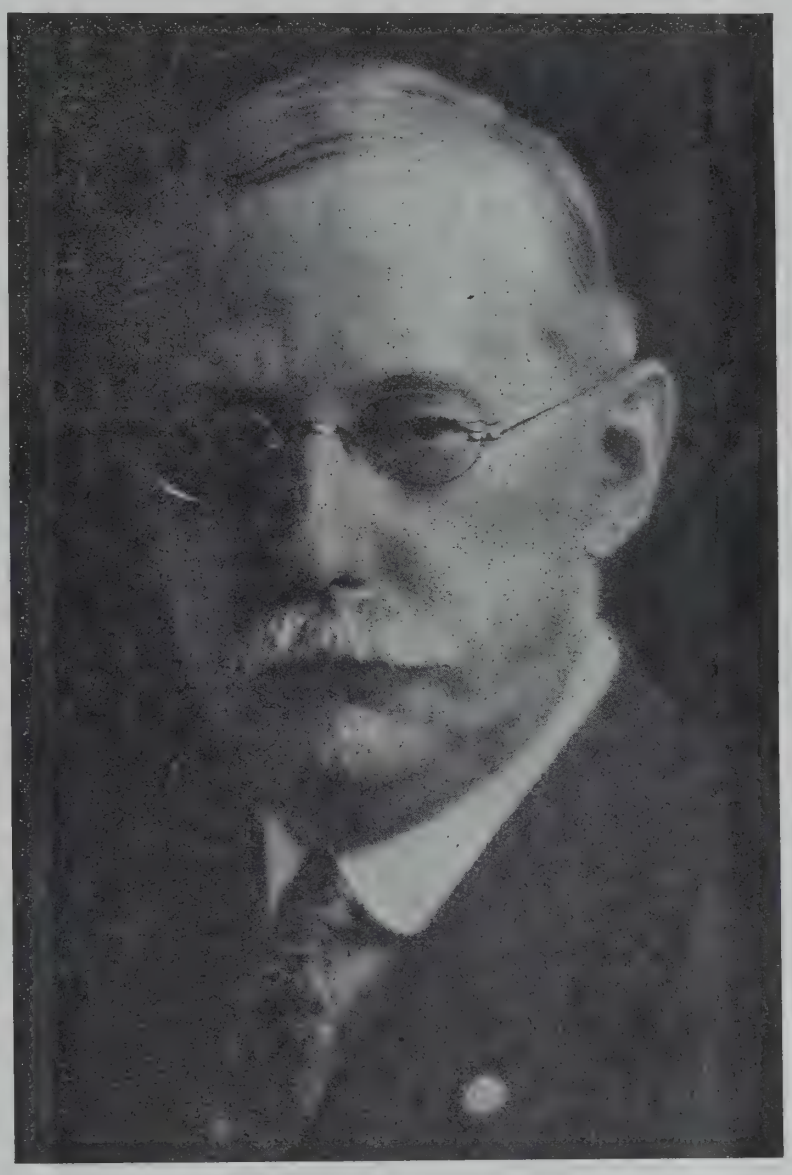

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THE SEASON'S PROSPECTS.

By HUGH M. CLARK, *Manager Scott Stamp & Coin Co.*

(On a recent visit to New York I had an interview with Mr. Clark and found him very enthusiastic in connection with the prospects of the stamp trade the coming season. He was so optimistic that I prevailed upon him to put his opinions in black and white, with the following result. In the course of the interview Mr. Clark backed up his assertions as to the prospects facing the stamp trade by taking out a 6000-line contract for advertising during the coming year. Our subscribers will be interested in reading the views of one who is probably closer to all lines of philatelic activities than any other dealer in the country.—W. O. W.)

Philately in America is experiencing the broadest popularity in its history, and the situation is apparently the same abroad. Never before has there been such a big demand for stamps of all classes, from the cheapest to the most expensive, and this demand is occurring at a time when stocks in the hands of dealers throughout the world are at the lowest point. We might almost say that collectors have absorbed the largest proportion of stamps for collecting purposes. The large percentage of new collectors is, of course, the most important factor in the scarcity of stamps.

The chief cause of the rapid stride of progress which philately has made is, in my opinion, *Publicity.* Stamps and stamp collecting have received more free advertising in the past four or five years than perhaps throughout the previous half-century. Such work as that of Fred J. Melville, of England, and the American Philatelic Service has resulted in the American news press having carried literally millions of words about philately since the early days of the world war. The reason why the American Philatelic Service and Fred J. Melville have been able to "put this across" was because the events of the war produced hundreds of stamps with human interest stories behind them, and these yarns tickled the news sense of the newspaper editor. Hundreds of "Sunday Specials" and editorial-page fillers were devoted to stamps in this way, and now and then a real news story developed, and collecting found its place on the front page. As other mediums of publicity in America, the juvenile journals should not be overlooked. *The Youth's Companion, The American Boy, Boys' Life, St. Nicholas Magazine,* and others, have special departments devoted to stamps, and these are important in the work of bringing new collectors into the field to take the place of the older ones who drop out.

Some months ago, the Scott Company moved from its Madison Avenue location, which was rapidly developing into a wholesale district, to its present address, No. 33 West 44th Street. Time has proven that the change was a wise one. The retail shopping district is now tapped,—Fifth Avenue to the east, and Sixth Avenue, Broadway and Seventh Avenue to the west. This enables us to reach readily the casual customer. It has been extremely noticeable that the passer-by who long ago relegated his album to the attic has had his interest re-awakened. The Scott window-display engenders reminiscence. The number of new faces seen in the salesroom is increasing in proportion.

The business has grown in the new location, until now there is need for expansion. Today, the salesrooms and offices occupy 2500 square feet of floor space on the first floor, with the clerical forces taking up much of this space. The expansion planned means the acquiring of the entire second floor of the same building. The clerks will be moved upstairs and the salesrooms will be extended back into the space now occupied for office use. We expect to occupy the second floor about October 1st. The basement is devoted to the storing of our stock of albums and catalogues, and the stockroom today presents an interesting problem for us,—namely, to produce publications as rapidly as they are called for. It will be recalled that the first printing of the 1919 catalogues was quickly exhausted and that a second printing was made a few months ago. The demand for this volume has continued unabated, and the second printing, intended to supply demand until January 1st, is sold out. There will be no third printing of the 1919 catalogue, but work has already begun on preparation for the 1920 edition. The advance sheets will be ready in November and the catalogue will be issued in March, 1920.

The demand for albums has increased commensurate with the scramble for catalogues. To enable us to supply this demand, we have moved our Publication Department, formerly at the lower end of Manhattan, to a new location uptown, having three times the space of the old one. A new edition of the 19th Century album is being prepared. This volume, thoroughly revised and corrected, will be on sale in October. At the same time, a new edition of the 20th Century album is under way, and will appear during December. A striking feature of the 20th Century edition hereafter is that the basis for revision and the addition of supplementary pages will be according to the calendar-year. In other words, the 20th Century edition soon to be issued will contain spaces only for those stamps which have appeared prior to January 1st, 1919. It often requires many months to learn the facts regarding stamp issues, particularly in these Reconstruction days in Europe. A great many of the most recent issues have not been definitely identified and the political future of many territories has not been determined;—hence, the new Scott policy will preclude these radical changes in later editions, which would have to be made if the pages of the 1920 edition were planned to include varieties appearing up to the date of going to press.

It is difficult to state which stamps will probably be most in demand during the coming season. At present, all stamps are in demand, but more particularly those of the United States, early issues, and stamps of the older issues of all foreign countries. There has been a strong liking for the so-called War and Armistice stamps, but the flood of entirely unnecessary and speculative issues has to a large extent disgusted collectors with these recent issues, and we notice they are turning to the older issues, of which more information is available. Poland has probably been the worst offender, having issued nearly two hundred varieties of stamps within the past eight or ten months.

Heretofore, we have confined our advertising to our own publications and to the columns of the juvenile magazines. These mediums will continue to be used, but a policy of expansion has been determined upon and an extensive advertising campaign will be conducted through the philatelic trade press. This campaign includes a 6000-line contract for space to be used in MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS during the coming year.

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An upright rectangle of the standard 1c size, the stamp is a handsome piece of work and a credit to its engravers, the National Bank Note Co. It is the last match stamp designed by that concern and was first printed by them. Later there was probably at least one printing by the American B. N. Co. and a few may also have been printed by the Bureau. Evidence to prove a Bureau printing has not yet come to the writer's attention.

The Boston Eagle does not resemble other match stamps engraved by the National B. N. Co., but in some details is very much like a few of the American B. N. Co. stamps and it is quite possible that the engraver who cut it had not done work on other National B. N. Co. stamps and worked with the American B. N. Co. after the companies were consolidated. This supposition would account for the resemblance between the Boston Eagle and the Reading Match stamp, particularly in the engraving of the background. The curly-cue ornaments that fill in the triangular spaces between the circular disk containing the eagle and the label at the top containing the inscription ONE CENT, however, are characteristic of many of the National B. N. Co. stamps. The Boston Book gives the following data:—

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SACRIFICE.

By EDWIN B. HILL.

The transport, filled with convalescent wounded, slowly steamed into the harbor. John Burlingame, standing on the upper deck, turned his face toward the land of his birth,—the land for which he had fought, and suffered, and all but died. He was glad—glad—glad—to feel the soft breeze upon his weary face. He slipped his arm about the shoulder of his buddy,—his friend who had given an arm to make the world sane once more.

"Isn't it heavenly, John?"

Robert McBride turned his glowing face toward that of his friend. "There's the Statue, and the good old smells of home!"

John Burlingame pressed his friend closer.

"It is all worth while, Bob,—all. It has been worthy of sacrifice. I know how they'll look at us, and want to do things for us,—but all I want is to get home,—home to my mother!"

The tears were in his voice, and his friend swallowed hard.

"It'll be only a few days, old chap, and then we'll have our discharges. And then—then for home!"

The two boys were silent as the steamer docked. Then they marched off, together, their arms about each other's necks. There were women there who turned away with wet eyes as the boys marched by two's upon the dock. There were men who spoke not at all, nor cheered. One cried out as his boy was carried off the ship on a stretcher.

The days were long before the discharges came,—long for both,—for all. And when they came there was a wild hurrah. The train bore both lads into the West, for a day's journey. McBride was to continue his trip for another day. John Burlingame, after a hasty farewell on the platform, was taken in charge by his brother.

"Oh, Billy! It's good to be home again,—home!" he said, radiantly. "I know mother will be waiting to see us. She couldn't stand the journey, I know, so I didn't wire until we were ready to leave. And all the things at home—Ruth—and old Nell!"

"All well, John, all well," declared Bob, cheerily.

"And the collection?" asked John, with a laugh.

"Fine! Just grand! I have picked up some good things in the last year, which, with those you sent over, have made the outfit look good. There have been our own stamps, too,—varieties, and perforations, and plate-numbers,—and I've started a little collection of postmark varieties on U. S. No. 210. I must have a hundred of them nearly. And they are scarce, too. I've still a Masonic cancellation to find."

John's face glowed.

"Mother!"

The tall woman in grey took her son into her arms and kissed him. Then she spoke, falteringly—"My boy! My dear boy!" She did not give way further, but her shaking hands patted his cheek. Then her son spoke out:

"I want to go to my room, and Bob will dig up the collection for me."

He laughed boyishly, his face shining with his smile.

"It's so good to be home, mother!"

The brother slipped his arm about John's waist as they went up the stairs together. Entering the room, John walked toward the window, through which the clear fresh breeze was blowing. He drew a long breath. Then, turning away, he said:

"Now, Billie, drag 'er down!" and laughed.

Billie opened the album and began to turn the pages.

"Here's a new ten cents of '47. I picked it up on a sheet one of the boys had here. It's a beauty, too,—red cancellation, just on the south-east corner. And here's that Canada twelve pence, imperf., you sent over,—a gem. Got it in London Some stamp, boy! Oh, yes! and here's the new Cape triangular,—the six-pence. I got that at a bargain. Faded a bit, but a gem, with red and black cancellations. Queer, isn't it, how the two should be on it?"

"Yes, and the od six-pence, with the clip on the side?" John was enthusiastic in his recollection.

"That's saved, John,—every one of the discards has been hinged on the supplementary sheets. That was a great idea,—giving up our old printed album, and taking to the blank."

They turned the leaves, Billie talking rapidly and describing the stamps that had come to him in his brother's absence.

The last page was turned. Then John Burlingame, with shaking hands, groped for his brother, found him, and clung steadfastly, trembling. No word was said. Finally he straightened. Then he spoke normally, happily:

"We'll carry on, Billie,—you and I."

Outside the door his mother, on her knees with clasped hands, wept silently for her first-born, blinded in the war.

NOTABLE ADVERTISING FEATURES.

We cannot permit this issue to go to press without calling special attention to the patronage of five firms using large space of a page or more. These announcements indicate an aggressiveness that means increased business, and we know our readers will appreciate the many splendid bargains offered.

First and foremost, the big announcement of W. C. Phillips & Co. stands out pre-eminently. Nearly four pages are used and the line of offerings presented is such as to appeal to all our readers. Elsewhere in this number we have advised the holding of this special issue for ready reference in coming weeks, and this advice applies particularly to the multitudinous offers found in the Phillips advertisement. It has been years since so important an advertisement has appeared in the WEEKLY, and the enterprise of this firm stands out as the strong feature of this week's paper.

Following the Phillips Co. very closely in its bid for business is the two-page announcement of the Marks Stamp Co. Elly Marks, the proprietor, has built up a big business in recent years and the name and the fame of the Marks Stamp Co. is known in all stamp circles. We have noted the recent acquisitions made by this firm and since then the company has purchased the Perrin stock, the firm of Perrin & Co. having been active in the stamp trade for over thirty years in New York City. The stock of D. Taussig, of Brooklyn, N. Y., has also been purchased, making no fewer than six stamp stocks purchased from New York stamp dealers in the past two months. The firm is doing a business that covers the continent and from both retail and wholesale standpoints fills an important place in philately.

Our inside cover page is taken by Percy McGraw Mann. His was the first order received and upon it we have built this fine special number. Mr. Mann is an old-time user of space in the WEEKLY, was for a long time editor of our chronicle of new issues, and is an occasional contributor of stamp articles. His advertisement occupies a commanding position and we bespeak for it a careful reading.

A newly incorporated business is represented on page 3 of the cover. We refer to the C. S. Watson Co., East Dedham, Mass., of which W. J. Bleakie is president and C. S. Watson, treasurer. Mr. Watson has been using the WEEKLY during the past two years and now with capital available will branch out along ambitious lines. A Boston office will soon be opened. Mr. Bleakie, the president of the corporation, resides in Sabattus, Me. Primarily a collector, he has one of the finest U. S. and British Colonial collections in existence. He has a specialized lot of blocks on and off the cover. Mr. Watson assures us that while they shall take space in other papers, the WEEKLY will be their mainstay and the firm will be boosters for our paper.

The Western Stamp Co., whose advertisement appears upon the outside page, is not experimenting in the page of space that it uses. A number of these large advertisements have appeared over the firm name, one running late in August and another being promised for October. When a firm takes space by the page there must of necessity be a pulling power that makes it profitable. H. A. Whipple of Omaha is the owner of the company and we appreciate the patronage the firm has extended us.

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By CHARLES J. PHILLIPS.

(Stanley Gibbons, Ltd., of London, have revived their "Monthly Journal" for the time g in the form of what will be known as the "Monthly Circular." The initial number con- s the following article, which we are pleased to reprint. At the same time we acknowledge pleasure the splendid tribute that Mr. Phillips, the owner, pays to the collecting interest ne United States when he declares "I am of the opinion that real philately—by which I n the study of particular stamps in the greatest detail— has enormously increased in the ed States in the past eight years." Coming from a collector and dealer of his standing, tribute is all the more marked. As indicated last week, Mr. Phillips will soon be in the s, again and will visit not only New York but Boston, Washington and Philadelphia in t of really fine collections of the old issues. It is very fitting that in this magnificent ber of MEKEEL'S WEEKLY we should have the privilege of printing Mr. Phillips' ions upon the stamp business as he found it on his recent visit to this country.—W. O. W.)

Having been requested to value the ious collection of postage stamps ned by my late friend, Mr. Henry J. veen, and mine being the first visit the United States by any British ler since the termination of the war, w notes on the position of Philately, I found it, in New York may prove nterest.

I found some difficulty in obtaining necessary forms to visit the States; Foreign Office passport was easily ained, but there was much more dif- lty in getting the necessary authori- on from the American authorities, o investigate all applications and who uire unusually full particulars of 's nationality back to one's grand- nts, and of the nature of the business he United States.

However, after some weeks, I was e to comply with all formalities, and ft Liverpool in the S. S. "Adriatic" of White Star Line, on Saturday, April 1. We had on board some 3000 Cana- n troops, and made direct for Hali- , Nova Scotia, which we did not ch until Sunday afternoon, April 2, being considerably delayed by fog, ough which we passed for no less n thirty hours. In two and a half irs we disembarked this large body troops, and left for New York.

The effects of the terrible explosion he harbour at Halifax could be seen all sides, but very much reconstruc- n has taken place and many new rks have been built here during the r.

We arrived in New York at 11.30 a. m. Tuesday, April 22nd. During the following days I was entirely en- ed in the valuation of the Duveen lection, which I made in considerable ail, and with due regard to the great preciation that has taken place in early ues of stamps during the past four rs. The collection is specially strong he great rarities and in blocks of four, great bulk being unused. Many of h blocks had to be valued at ten and n twenty times Catalogue price, as ny pieces in this collection in blocks probably unique in this form and in at demand.

I do not consider I am at liberty to te any figures, but I think I may say it it is not at all likely that the col- tion will come on the market. Hav- finished this work, I was at liberty visit some of the leading collectors New York and district, and received nost hearty welcome from old friends, I am pleased to say that I met a num- of the newer school of collectors who have matured since my last visit to New York some eight years ago.

As is only natural, I found the greatest interest taken in the stamps of the United States, and I saw some truly magnificant collections of Postage and Carrier stamps, the early and rare Postmaster stamps, Confederate Locals and Hawaiian Islands.

For instance, one collector, showing me his stamps, drew my attention to the fact that in his issue of 1847 the 5c and 10c alone filled no less than seven volumes of our Oriel albums.

The manner in which such stamps as the 1851 and 1857 issues of the 1c and 3c stamps have been specialised is stupendous; one sees book after book of these fine old stamps in sheets, blocks, plate numbers, margins, transfer varieties and obliterations, all worked out fully as much as our most advanced men have worked out our own stamps.

On the whole I am of opinion that real philately—by which I mean the study of particular stamps in the greatest detail—has enormously increased in the United States in the past eight years. I cannot help but think that a great deal of this advanced work is due to my friend, Mr. Charles Lathrop Pack, America's foremost student in philately, whose marvellous plating and studious work is being followed up by many American collectors.

In the last few years several of the very rich Americans have taken up stamp collecting, and are forming special collections of countries and groups of countries on very advanced lines. All this must inevitably tend to a large increase in the market value of old issues. The demand is greater than ever all over the world, and the supplies are practically exhausted. I venture to predict that the next five years will see the greatest increase in the values of early issues of postage stamps that has ever taken place.

I was able to devote about ten days to a thorough inspection of the stocks of stamps held by the leading dealers in New York. In the value and variety of their stocks I should place the leading firms in the following order:—

1. Nassau Stamp Co., who, under the able management of my friend, John Klemann, have become a firm of the first importance, and have handled many of the greatest collections sold in the United States.

2. A. Krassa, who sold his stock to The Scott Stamp and Coin Co., in 1914, but who, in the past five years, has been one of the largest buyers, and indeed surprised me very much by the variety and excellence of his stock.

3. The Scott Stamp & Coin Co., who have made an excellent move in going uptown to 44th Street, where they have the finest and best arranged offices in New York. Under the management of Mr. and Mrs. Clark, this old and world-famous firm has made great strides, and seems to be far ahead of the position it held on my previous visit to the States.

4. Stanley Gibbons, incorporated, who are *par excellence the* firm for twentieth century stamps.

My old chum and friend, Eustace B. Power, probably knows more about the stamps of the last nineteen years than any other dealer, and has a grand stock of these issues, so much so that I was able to buy from him between £1000 and £2000 of these stamps to fill up gaps in our own stock. Mr. Power has also a wonderful stock of United States stamps, in which he has specialised for over fifteen years, and on which he is recognised as *the authority,* he having published several books on this subject.

In such stamps as North American Colonies, West Indies, Colonies in Africa, Ceylon, India, etc., I secured every fine copy I could find in New York, and shall have many desirable items to add to our new stock books as they are remade this coming winter.

The last business matter that I had to attend to was the revision of the deed of agreement existing between Stanley Gibbons, Ltd., of London, and Stanley Gibbons, Incorporated, of New York.

Some eight years ago our London house sold its stock in the United States, and the rights of direct trading there to our New York house, all business during the ensuing period having been done through the New York house, and not direct with collectors.

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Owing to the great demand upon my time I very much regret that I was not able to meet all my old friends, both among collectors and dealers, but time would not admit of this, and I was unable to get a transfer to another steamer, as all berths are booked up long ahead.

I left New York, after a most enjoyable visit, on Saturday, May 17th, on the famous S. S. "Mauretania." I had crossed *ante-bellum* in this boat; but, alas, the war has caused a woeful alteration in her appearance. The fine dining saloon has been filled with berths for 500 soldiers, and also the smoking-room has been utilised in a like manner. The saloon passengers have to take their meals in relays at fixed hours, but all inconveniences are forgotten when one is returning to dear old England.

I must not fail to mention a piece of news I heard just before I sailed for home. A famous and advanced collector recently died in the Hawaiian Islands, Mr. Waters. He was well known in England and on the Continent, and possessed a very valuable collection of stamps, especially strong in the issues of the Hawaiian Islands, United States, European and British Colonials. Mr. Waters has left his entire collection to his native city of Bremen, Germany. The U. S. Alien Property Custodians have seized the collection, and a suit will have to go to the Courts to decide what shall be done with the bequest. I much doubt if it will ever reach Germany.

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No.	Cat.	Net	No.	Cat.	Net
20	.12	.08	75	.25	.15
22	.50	.30	76	.30	.18
23	.50	.30	77	.50	.35
25	.03	.02	78	3.50	2.00
29	.12	.08	79	.15	.10
30	.20	.12	80	.10	.08
31	.25	.15	81	.15	.10
32	.15	.10	82	.75	.50
33	.20	.12	83	.04	.02
34	.20	.12	84	.05	.03
35	.75	.45	85	.10	.06
36	.10	.06	86	.08	.05
37	.12	.08	87	.10	.07
38	.75	.50	88	.15	.10
39	.12	.07	89	.15	.10
40	.15	.08	90	.20	.12
41	.25	.15	91	.30	.18
42	.35	.20	92	.25	.18
43	.50	.30	93	.50	.35
44	.50	.30	94	1.00	.60
45	.10	.06	95	1.25	.75
46	.50	.35	98	.02	.01
47	.04	.02	99	.05	.03
48	.06	.04	100	.10	.05
49	.30	.20	101	.04	.03
50	.25	.18	102	.10	.06
51	.03	.02	103	.18	.10
52	.03	.02	104	.15	.10
53	.05	.03	105	.12	.08
54	.15	.10	106	.15	.10
55	.30	.20	107	.18	.12
56	.75	.45	108	.30	.18
57	.15	.10	113	.02	.02
58	.05	.03	114	.06	.04
59	.06	.03	115	.08	.05
60	.10	.06	116	.08	.05
61	.15	.08	117	.10	.07
64	.10	.05	124	.05	.03
67	.15	.08	127	.02	.01
67a	2.50	1.50	128	.04	.02
68	.03	.02	251	.06	.04
69	.04	.03	252	.20	.12
70	.08	.06	259	.05	.03
71	.06	.04	260	.05	.03
72	.10	.07	261	.06	.04
73	.75	.50	443	.05	.03
74	.20	.12	446	.05	.03
			447	.25	.15

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We have an excellent mounted collection of Chile, containing both used and unused copies together with a nice lot of mint blocks, and used pairs and blocks, besides a few interesting essays and other items of interest to specialists. Price on application.

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The above is a remarkable testimonial to the value of the WEEKLY as an advertising medium, and we have received quite a number of letters in which our patrons have spoken in a very complimentary manner concerning our publication. We do not have very much space at our disposal and can only quote in part from some of the letters at hand. We feel quite sure that these published extracts reflect the sentiments of the large number of signers to the message of congratulation. We quote as follows:—

"Your great and unique achievement of having published 1500 numbers stands as a record hard to beat. You certainly deserve the congratulations and good will of all stamp collectors and dealers for the large amount of service and prestige that you have given to the philatelic cause. My personal endorsement has been extended to you in a practical manner in every issue by one or more of my advertisements, from No. 1, to No. 1500. I do not think that I missed a single number during all that period. I trust that you and I will both be alive to tell a similar story when you double the number, and make it 3000."—P. M. WOLSIEFFER (Philadelphia Stamp Co.).

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Hungary Charity Stamps 1913, 151-164	1
India 1914, I. E. F., 701 to 707	
Mexico, Dues 1908, 1c to 10c	
Montenegro, Dues, 1902, 184-188	
Mozambique 1915, 173 to 183	1
Mozambique Co. 1919, ½ to 8, 9 var.	
Nauru 1915, 1 to 10	1
Netherlands 1913, 97, 98, 99	
Dues, 1907, 227 to 237, 11 var.	1
Newfoundland, Nos. 78 to 84	
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*Bosnia, "Karlsfond," comp. 3 var.	.4
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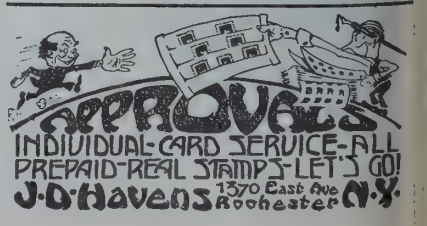

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—*W. F. M.*—Try Alfred Smith's *Monthly Circular*, London, England.

—We have added F. E. Prohaska to the list of those who want a first page location. It now stands:—Edgewood, Apex, Bartels, Mehl, Allen, Poole, Bailey, Voorhees and Prohaska.

—Edwin P. Seebohm advises us of the death of Geo. E. Washburn of San Francisco. Mr. Washburn was an old-time collector-dealer, and has been quite a figure in Golden Gate stamp circles.

—England has a new weekly paper for boys. It is called the *Boys' Weekly*. In a copy just at hand we note a stamp department with F. Hugh Vallancey as editor.

—Any dealer interested in a wholesale pricelist should procure the one just issued by Bright and Son, 164 Strand, London, England. The list has 16 pages and a wide range of stamps is priced, singly, per dozen, hundred and thousand.

—Several of our subscribers have sent us a circular sent out from Helsingfors, Finland, but printed in English. It is an interesting affair, and we shall reprint it, in whole or in part, in an early number. A collector by the name of Jarnefelt is using this circular as a means of disposing of what he terms "rare entires", but dealing especially with a Finnish cover bearing the historic date, June 28, 1919, for which he asks the modest sum of one dollar. A mere paragraph cannot do justice to the logic and grammar of the circular in question.

—The Philatelic Society of Pittsburgh has in the hands of the printer a manuscript on the U. S. 3c purple, which will soon appear in the form of a handbook at 10c. Another booklet will be announced soon.

—"The annual meeting of the New Haven Philatelic Society was held Sept. 11 and the following were elected as officers for the ensuing year:—Pres., M. Ray Sanborn; Vice Pres., E. B. Brown; Treas., C. H. Miller; Sec., E. A. Young. The Society is in a prosperous condition and plans for many activities during the season. A permanent exhibition case has been secured in the New Haven Public Library and members will show portions of their collections from time to time in an effort to create interest in local philately."—E. A. YOUNG, Sec.

—In a news bulletin of the International Postmark Society sent out by Ralph W. Porter, 2551 S. Hoover St., Los Angeles, Calif., there appears a list of twenty-five forestry cancellations. A copy of the bulletin can no doubt be obtained for a stamp.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from W. J. Stephens, Charles E. Carman, C. D. Skinner, Jr., and Edward W. Rose.

—George W. Linn of Columbus, the proprietor of the well-known stamp firm bearing his name, was in New York recently and secured a block of ninety-eight of the current $1 U. S. used. Mr. Linn considers it the largest used block of this stamp known. It is not a cancelled-to-order block.

—We are listing this week the historical catalog of "Stamps of New Europe," the second edition of which has been published by Mr. Melville. The book is a splendid chronicle of the stamps of the hour and the copious illustrations are very interesting. Send in a new name to our list with 50c and you may have the book free. The price of the book is 20c at this office.

—We are informed by R. Yokohori that the Philatelic Society of Japan has recently decided to publish a third edition of the Standard Catalog of the Postage Stamps of Japan. It will also undertake to publish a Japanese album along the lines of the catalog.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from James Nicholson, Harry B. Mason, Wm. E. Dowser, Otto Haker.

—Our congratulations to Mr. W. S. Aldrich, the St. Joseph, Mo., dealer. Wedding cards are at hand announcing the marriage of Mr. Aldrich and Mrs. Lucile Sevier Goerner at Denver, Colo., Monday, Sept. 15.

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20	1867-8 5c	.04	.20	1.75	..
22	1873 1c	.03	.18	1.60	..
23	1873 4c	.02	.08	.75	..
34	1876-77 8c	.03	.13	1.25	..
35	1878 16c	.06	.35	..	..
38	1877-80 2c	.02	.12	1.10	..
39	1877-80 8c	.02	.08	.75	7.00
41	1882 ½c on 5c	.10	.55	5.00	..
43	1882 ½c	.04	.25	..	..
44	1882 1c	.07	.35	..	..
52	1884-87 ½c	.03	.15	1.25	..
53	1884-87 1c	.03	.13	1.10	..
57	1888 ½c	.02	.12	1.00	..
63	1888 10c	.07	.50	..	..
65	1888 30c	.15	..	..	..
68	1888-89 ½c	.02	.08	.70	..
69	1888-89 1c	.02	.08	.70	..
76	1890 2c	.03	.15	1.10	..
77	1890 5c	.02	.05	.45	4.00
80	1890 40c	.05	.30	..	..
85	1891 8c	.15	(3 for .30)		
92	1892-96 ½c	.02	.05	.40	..
93	1892-96 1c	.01	.04	.35	..
94	1892-96 2c	.01	.04	.35	3.00
95	1892-96 3c	.02	.07	.60	5.50
96	1892-96 5c	.01	.03	.20	1.50
98	1892-96 10c	.02	.07	.60	5.50
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115	1896-98 30c	.07	.40	..	..
121	1896-98 5p ini.	.50	2.50	..	..
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123	1899 1c	.02	.04	.35	3.25
124	1899 2c	.01	.04	.25	2.00
125	1899 5c	.01	.03	.15	1.25
126	1899 10c	.02	.05	.45	4.00
131	1899 30c	.12	.65	6.00	..
132	1899 50c	.07	.40	..	..
133	1899 1p	.07	.40	..	..
136	1899 20p ini.	.75	5.00	..	..
137	1901 3c	.02	.08	.70	..
138	1901 12c	.10	.50	..	..
139	1901 15c	.02	.07	.60	..
140	1901 30c	.04	.17	1.50	..
142	1903 4c	.12	.60	..	..
143	1903 6c	.08	.40	3.75	..
145	1908-10 1c	.02	.06	.50	..
146	1908-10 2c	.01	.04	.38	3.75
149	1908-10 5c	.01	..	.10	.75
151	1908-10 10c	.03	.15	1.25	..
152*	1908-10 12c	.50	..	..	..
153	1908-10 15c	.03	.20	..	..
154	1908-10 20c	.07	.35	..	..
156	1908-10 30c	.06	.30	..	..
158	1908-10 1p	.20	..	..	..
159	1909 12c	.02	.06	.50	..
160	1910 ½c	.02	.10	..	..
161	1910 1c	.02	.10	.90	..
162	1910 2c	.03	.10	.90	..
163	1910 3c	.05	..	..	..
164	1910 4c	.12	(3 for .25)		..
165	1910 5c	.02	.05	.40	3.75
166	1910 10c	.07	.40	..	..
167	1910 12c	.05	.22	2.00	..
168	1910 20c	.10	..	..	..
169	1910 24c	.12	.80	..	..
170	1910 30c	.12	.80	..	..
171	1910 50c	.40	2.50	..	..
172	1910 1p	.40	3.00	..	..
177	1911 5c	.02	.04	.30	2.50
178	1911 12c	.03	.10	.80	..
179*	1911 ½c	.02	.06	.50	4.50
180	1911 1c	.02	.05	.45	4.00
181	1911 2c	.02	.05	.40	..
184	1911 10c	.02	.10	.80	7.50
185	1911 20c	.10	.50	..	..
189	1912-14 ½c	.02	.06	.50	..
190	1912-14 1c	.02	.05	.45	..
191	1912-14 2c	.02	.04	.35	3.00
194	1912-14 5c	.01	..	.10	.75
195	1912-14 10c	.02	.10	.75	7.00
196	1912-14 12c	.02	.07	.50	4.50
197	1912-14 20c	.03	.20	..	..
200	1912-14 50c	.15	1.00	..	..
201	1912-14 1p	.15	.75	..	..
202	1912-14 5p ini.	.50	..	..	..
203	1912-14 10p ini.	.50	2.50	20.00	..
204	1912-14 20p ini.	.75	3.00	25.00	..
215	1916 ½c	.02	.07	.65	..
216	1916 1c	.03	.12	1.00	..
217	1916 2c	.03	.10	.80	7.50
219	1916 4c	.07	.45	..	..
220	1916 5c	.02	.05	.40	3.50
222	1916 12c	.03	.18	1.50	..
225	1916 30c	.15	1.00	..	..
226	1916 50c	.22	1.20	..	..
227	1916 1p	.30	1.75	..	..
230	1916 20p ini.	2.50	10.00	..	..
231	1917 ½c	.01	.06	.40	..
232	1917 1c	.01	.06	.50	4.50
233	1917 2c	.01	.06	.50	..
234	1917 3c	.03	.12	1.00	..
236	1917 5c	.01	..	.10	.75
237	1917 10c	.02	.06	.50	..
238	1917 12c	.02	.06	.50	4.75
239	1917 20c	.03	.15	..	..
246	1917 20p ini.	.75	4.00	..	..
247	1919 5c	.04	.25	..	..
381	1901 1c	.02	.07	.60	5.50
382	1901 2c	.03	.10	..	..
383	1901 5c	.04	.18	1.75	..
384	1901 10c	.05	.22	2.00	..
386	1901 50c	.20	1.00	..	..
400*	1913-19 2c	.04	.15	1.35	..
401	1c	.03	.12	1.10	..
401*	1c	.03	.12	1.10	..
403	5c	.05	.15	1.30	..
403*	5c	.05	.15	1.30	..
404	12c	.08	.20	1.75	..
404*	12c	.08	.20	1.75	..
407	5c	.18	.70	6.00	..
421	1c	.03	.10	.80	..
422	2c	.03	.10	.80	..
423	5c	.03	.08	.75	7.00

Scott's No.	Argentine Republic Value.	Each.	Per 10.	Per 100.	Per 1000
424	12c	.06	.18	1.50	14.00
427	5c	.06	.18	1.40	12.50
436	2c	.15	.80	..	..
	5c M.G.on No.220	.15	.80	..	..
	12c M.G.on No.222	.15	.80	..	..
	1c M.G.on No.232	.10	.60	..	..
	2c M.G.on No.233	.10	.40	3.00	..
	12c M.G.on No.238	.20	..	..	..
440	1913-19 2c	.13	.40	3.50	..
441	1c	.06	.25	2.00	..
442	2c	.10	.40	3.50	..
444	12c	.12	.40	3.25	..
457	5c	.07	.22	2.00	..
	12c M.H.on No.238	.10	.35	3.00	..
460	2c	.12	.40	..	..
463	5c	.12	.40	..	..
481	1c	.20	.70	..	..
482	2c	.30	1.25	..	..
483	5c	.10	.40	..	..
484	12c	.10	.40	..	..
487	5c	.25	1.00	..	..
491	5c	.20	1.00	7.00	..
496	2c	.20	1.00	7.00	..
500	2c	.20	.70	6.00	..
501	1c	.18	.60	5.00	..
503	5c	.06	.22	2.00	..
504	12c	.30	1.10	..	..
517	5c	.20	.60	..	..
	1c M.M.on No.232	.20	.65	..	..
	2c M.M.on No. 233	.20	.65	6.00	..
	5c M.M.on No.236	.20	.50	4.00	..
523	5c	.25	1.00	..	..

BOLIVIA.

Scott's No.	Value.	Each.	Per 10.	Per 100.
2*	1866-67 5c	.15	(3 for .30)	
21	1878 10c	.04	.20	..
22	1878 20c	.06	.25	2.35
24	1887 1c	.04	.20	..
25	1887 2c	.03	.15	..
26	1887 5c	.03	.15	..
27	1887 10c	.05	.22	2.00
33	1890 50c	.45	..	..
36	1893 2c	.07	.40	..
37	1893 5c	.07	.30	..
38	1893 10c	.09	.40	3.80
40	1894 1c	.02	.10	.75
41	1894 2c	.04	.12	1.00
42	1894 5c	.04	.12	1.00
43	1894 10c	..	.12	1.00
44	1894 20c	..	.12	1.00
45	1894 50c	..	.12	1.00
46	1894 100c	..	.12	1.00
49	1897 5c	.03	.12	1.00
50	1897 10c	.04	.16	..
62	1899 1c	.04	.20	..
63	1899 2c	.04	.20	..
64	1899 5c	.04	.25	..
65	1899 10c	.02	.12	1.10
73	1901-2 5c	.02	.07	.60
75	1901-02 20c	.04	.15	1.35
86	1909 20c	.10	..	..
87	1909 50c	.30	..	..
88	1909 1b	.65	..	..
93	1910 10c	.06	.32	..
94	1910 20c	.09	..	..
95	1911 5c	.04	.18	..
104	1913 2c	.02	.08	.75
105	1913 5c	.02	.08	.75
108	1913 50c	.30	..	..
115	1916-17 5c	.02	.08	.75
116	1916-17 10c	.03	.15	..
201	1871-93 5c	.02	.10	..

BRAZIL.

Scott's No.	Value.	Each.	Per 10.	Per 100.	Per 1000
37	1854 10r	.25	..	..	..
58	1866 100r	.02	.10	..	..
60	1866 500r	.18	..	..	..
62	1876 20r	.18	.90	..	..
71	1878-79 80r	.27	..	..	..
72	1878-79 100r	.02	.10	.95	..
73	1878-79 200r	.15	..	..	..
74	1878-79 260r	.90	..	..	..
78	1878-79 300r	.38	..	..	..
84	1882-84 200r	.18	..	..	..
88	1884-85 50r	.07	.40	..	..
96	1888 100r	.02	.07	..	..
103	1890-91 200r	.02	.10	..	..
109	1891 100r	.01	.05	..	..
111	1893 100r	.03	.12	1.10	..
113	1894-97 10r	.02	.05	.40	..
114	1894-97 20r	.02	.04	.35	..
116	1894-97 100r	.01	.03	.25	2.00
118	1894-97 200r	.01	.04	.30	..
119	1894-97 300r	.02	.05	.45	..
121	1894-97 700r	.12	..	..	..
124	1894-97 2000r	.25	..	..	..
128	1898 2000r	.45	..	..	..
154	1899 500r	.35	..	..	..
155	1899 700r	.40	..	..	..
159	1900 50r	.02	.05	..	..
160	1900 100r	.01	.05	..	..
161	1900 200r	.02	.05	.35	..
174	1906 10r	.02	.03	.25	2.00
175	1906 20r	.01	.03	.20	1.50
176	1906 50r	.01	.04	.30	..
177	1906 100r	.01	.03	.20	1.50
178	1906 200r	.01	.03	.20	1.75
179	1906 300r	.02	.05	.45	..
180	1906 400r	.04	.18	..	..
181	1906 500r	.07	.25	2.25	..
182	1906 700r	.15	..	..	..
183	1906 1000r	.06	..	..	..
184	1906 2000r	.10	..	..	..
185	1906 5000r	.50	..	..	..
188	1909 200r	.08	.40	..	..
189	1910 600r	.10	.55	..	..
190	1910 10,000r	1.75	..	..	..
193	1915-16 1000r	.05	.20	..	..
194	1915-16 2000r	.15	..	..	..
198	1917 5000r	.40	..	..	..
203	1918 100r	.01	.03	.25	..

Scott's No.	Brazil. Value.	Each.	Per 10.	Per 100.	Per 1000
504	1906 100r	.02	.05	.45	..
504*	1906 100r	.03	.12	1.10	..
505	1906 200r	.02	.06	.50	..
513	1906 10,000r	.15	.75	..	..
517	1913 100r	.02	.07	.60	..
518	1913 200r	.02	.07	.60	..

CANAL ZONE.

Scott's No.	Value.	Each.	10.	Per 100.	Per 1000
11	1904-06 2c	.10	..	..	..
13	1904-06 10c	.15	..	..	..
22	1905 1c on 20c	.05	.22	..	..
29*	1905 8c on 50c	.28	..	..	..
39	1909 8c	.12	..	..	..
41	1909-10 1c	.02	.10	..	..
42	1909-10 2c	.02	.07	.60	..
43	1909-10 5c	.02	.06	.50	..
45	1909-10 10c	.09	.40	..	..
52	1917 12c	.20	..	..	..
53	1917 15c	.25	(3 for .60)		
54	1917 24c	.35	..	..	..
104	1919 10c	.28	..	..	..
110	1915 10c on 10c	.13	..	..	..

CHILE.

Scott's No.	Value.	Each.	Per 10.	Per 100.	Per 1000
15*	1867 1c	.30	1.00	..	..
16	1867 2c	.28	1.25	..	..
20	1877 1c	.04	.20	..	..
21	1877 2c	.14	.70	..	..
23	1877 10c	.07	.40	..	..
24	1877 20c	.12	.60	..	..
26	1878-81 2c	.02	.05	.40	..
27	1878-81 5c	.02	.06	.55	..
29	1883-86 5c	.01	..	.10	.85
29*	1883-86 5c	.08	.40	..	..
30	1883-86 10c	.02	.07	.60	..
33	1892 15c	.03	.15	1.40	..
34	1892 25c	.04	.20	..	..
35	1892 1p	.06	.32	3.00	..
36	1894 1c	.02	.04	.35	..
37	1894 2c	.02	.04	.35	..
38	1899 30c	.20	1.00	9.00	..
39	1900 1c	.03	.15	..	..
40	1900 2c	.02	.06	.55	..
41*	1900 5c	.15	1.00	..	..
42	1900 10c	.03	.18	1.50	..
43	1900 20c	.09	.45	..	..
44	1900 50c	.07	.35	3.25	..
45	1900 5c on 30c	.05	.20	1.90	..
45*	1900 5c on 30c	.08	.35	..	..
46	1901 30c	.12	.60	5.00	..
49*	1901 5c	.18	1.00	..	..
51	1902 1c	.02	.06	.50	..
52	1902 2c	.02	.07	.60	..
52*	1902 2c	.02	.12	1.00	..
53	1902 5c	.02	.03	.25	2.00
54	1902 10c	.04	.20	..	..
55	1902 30c	.04	.18	1.75	..
57	1903 10c on 30c	.06	.25	2.40	..
58	1904 1c	.03	.15	1.35	..
59	1904 2c	.03	.15	1.30	..
60	1904 5c	.03	.15	1.40	..
61	1904 10c	.04	.22	..	..
64*	1904 3c on 1p	.07	.35	..	..
67	1904 12c on 5c	.05	.22	2.00	..
67*	1904 12c on 5c	.10	.50	..	..
68	1905-09 1c	.01	.05	.45	4.00
69	1905-09 2c	.01	.04	.35	3.25
70	1905-09 3c	.04	.22	..	..
71	1905-09 5c	.01	.03	.25	2.25
72	1905-09 10c	.02	.06	.50	..
73*	1905-09 12c	.50	..	..	..
73	1905-09 12c	.75	3.00	..	..
74	1905-09 15c	.05	.22	..	..
75	1905-09 20c	.03	.15	..	..
77	1905-09 50c	.05	.22	2.00	..
78	1905-09 1p	2.50	..	..	..
79	1910 5c on 12c	.06	.30	..	..
79*	1910 5c on 12c	.10	.45	..	..
80	1910 10c on 1p	.07	.35	..	..
81	1910 20c on 1p	.12	..	..	..
82*	1910 1p	.60	2.75	..	..
83	1910 1c	.02	.08	.75	..
83*	1910 1c	.03	.12	1.10	10.00
84	1910 2c	.02	.08	.75	..
84*	1910 2c	.03	.15	1.35	..
85	1910 3c	.08	.40	..	..
86	1910 5c	.02	.05	.40	..
87	1910 10c	.05	.22	..	..
88	1910 12c	.12	.60	..	..
89	1910 15c	.06	.35	..	..
90	1910 20c	.12	..	..	..
91	1910 25c	.25	..	..	..
92	1910 30c	.22	..	..	..
93	1910 50c	.30	..	..	..
95	1910 2p	1.00	..	..	..
98	1911 1c	.01	.04	.35	..
99	1911 2c	.02	.05	.40	..
100	1911 3c	.06	.25	..	..
101	1911 5c	.01	.03	.25	2.00
102	1911 10c	.02	.12	1.00	..
103	1911 12c	.07	.35	..	..
104	1911 15c	.03	.12	1.10	..
105	1911 20c	.02	.08	.70	..
106	1911 25c	.08	.40	..	..
107	1911 30c	.05	.20	..	..
108	1911 50c	.07	.28	2.50	..
109	1911 1p	.07	.30	2.75	..
110	1911 2p	.55	2.50	24.00	..
111	1911 5c	1.10	5.10	..	..
112	1911 10p	1.50	7.00	..	..
113	1912-13 2c	.01	.05	.45	..
114	1912-13 4c	.02	.05	.45	4.25
115	1912-13 8c	.03	.15	1.35	..
116	1912-13 10c	.01	..	.12	1.10
117	1912-13 14c	.07	.35	3.40	..

Scott's No.	Chile. Value.	Each.	Per 10.	Per 100.	P. 1
121	1912-13 40c	.07	.35	3.25	
123	1912-13 60c	.15	.65	6.00	
124	1915-17 5c	.01	.03	.25	
126	1915-17 1c	.01	.05	.40	
127	1915-17 2c	.01	.04	.30	2
128	1915-17 4c	.02	.07	.60	
131	1915-17 10c	.02	.03	.20	1
134	1915-17 20c	.02	.07	.60	
137	1915-17 50c	.07	.35	3.25	
138	1918 1p	.07	.30	2.50	
139	1918 2p	.55	2.50	24.00	
251	1880 1c	.04	.17	..	
253	1880 5c	.03	.15	..	
446*	1898 10c	.04	.15	1.35	

COLOMBIAN REPUBLIC.

Scott's No.	Value.	Each.	Per 10.	Per 100.	P. 1
81	1876 10c	.75	..	..	
107	1881 10c	.11	..	..	
215*	1903 50c	.10	.45	..	
314	1904 ½c	.02	.08	..	
315	1904 1c	.02	.08	..	
316	1904 2c	.02	.05	.40	
317	1904 5c	.02	.05	.40	3.
318	1904 10c	.06	.30	..	
319	1904 20c	.12	.45	..	
326	1908 1c	.02	.06	..	
327	1908 2c	.02	.06	..	
328	1908 5c	.02	.05	..	
330	1908 20c	.25	..	..	
335	1910 10c	.18	..	..	
339	1917 ½c	.02	.10	..	
340	1917 1c	.02	.08	.75	
341	1917 2c	.02	.08	.75	
343	1917 5c	.02	.08	.70	
344	1917 10c	.04	.20	..	
361	1918 3c on 10c	.08	.35	..	
631	1917 10c	.15	..	..	

ECUADOR.

Scott's No.	Value.	Each.	Per 10.	Per 100.	P. 10
9	1872 ½r	.15	..	..	
10	1872 1r	.15	..	..	
11*	1872 1p	.04	.15	..	
12*	1881 1c	.01	.05	.40	
13*	1881 2c	.01	.05	.40	
19*	1887 1c	.01	.05	.45	
20*	1887 2c	.01	.05	.45	
23*	1892 1c	.01	.06	.55	
25*	1892 5c	.02	.10	.95	
26*	1892 10c	.02	.08	.75	
27*	1892 20c	.02	.08	.75	
28*	1892 50c	.02	.09	.85	
35*	1893-94 5c on 50c	.11	.30	..	
40*	1894 2c	.02	.06	.55	
41*	1894 5c	.02	.09	.85	
47*	1895 1c	.01	.06	.55	
48*	1895 2c	.02	.08	.75	
139	1899 5c	.02	.12	.80	
146	1901 2c	.02	.10	.90	
147	1901 5c	.02	.07	.65	
148	1901 10c	.04	.12	1.10	
149	1901 20c	.04	..	..	
150	1901 50c	.11	..	..	
169	1907 5c	.02	.06	.50	
194	1911-13 1c	.02	.08	.65	
195	1911-13 2c	.02	.08	.65	
196	1911-13 3c	.05	.20	1.75	
197	1911-13 5c	.01	.04	.38	3.5
198	1911-13 10c	.02	.08	.75	
204	1915-17 1c	.02	.06	.55	
206	1915-17 3c	.04	.18	1.75	
207	1915-17 4c	.02	.10	.95	
208	1915-17 5c	.01	.05	.40	3.5
209	1915-17 10c	.02	.10	.80	
501*	1892 1c	.03	.10	.75	
502*	1892 2c	.03	.10	.75	
504*	1892 10c	.03	.12	1.00	
505*	1892 20c	.03	.10	.90	
506*	1892 50c	.03	.10	.90	
507*	1892 1s	.04	.15	1.40	
711*	1892 1c	.02	.08	.75	
712*	1892 2c	.02	.08	.75	
713*	1892 5c	.02	.10	.95	
714*	1892 10c	.02	.10	.95	
715*	1892 20c	.02	.10	.95	
716*	1892 50c	.02	.10	.95	

PANAMA.

Scott's No.	Value.	Each.	10.	Per 100.	Per 1000
12*	1887-88 20c	.15	..	..	..
13*	1887-88 50c	.35	1.25	..	..
20*	1892-96 50c	.15	.65	..	..
59*	1903-04 2c	.11	..	..	..
78	1904-05 5c	.09	.40	..	..
79*	1904-05 10c	.15	.60	..	..
80	1904-05 20c	.15	..	..	..
182*	1906 2c on 50c	.06	.25	..	..
183*	1906 5c on 1p	.35	1.70	..	..
188	1906-07 2½c	.04	.15	..	..
192*	1906-07 25c	.40	..	..	..
193	1906-07 50c	.70	..	..	..
198	1909 5c	.02	.10	.90	
200	1909 10c	.09	.45	..	
203	1913 2½c	.28	..	..	
204*	1915 ½c	.02	.10	..	
205	1915 1c	.02	.15	..	
206	1915 2c	.02	.15	1.45	
209	1915 5c	.03	.18	1.75	
211	1915 20c	.25	..	..	
386	1904 10c	.04	..	..	
388*	1916 5c on 8c	.18	..	..	
389*	1917 5c on 8c	.12	..	..	
477*	1916 2½c	.15	..	..	
529*	1916 1c on ½c	.15	.50	4.75	
604	1915 10c	.16	..	..	

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PARAGUAY.

Scott's No.		Value.	Each.	Per 10.	Per 100.	Per 1000
1*	1870	1r	.30	(3 for .60)		
12*	1879	5c	.25	..	..	..
12A*	1879	5c imperf.	1.25	6.00	..	..
13*	1879	10c	.65	..	..	..
13A*	1879	10c	1.25	6.00	..	..
20*	1884	1c	.06	.30	..	..
22	1884	5c	.18	.85	..	..
23*	1887	1c	.05	.22	..	..
29*	1887	20c	.15	..	..	..
28*	1887	15c	.12	.60	..	..
33	1892	2c	.04	.25	..	..
33*	1892	2c	.05	.22	..	..
34	1892	4c	.05	.22	..	..
35	1892	5c	.04	.20	1.90	..
39*	1892	30c	.18	.90	..	..
43*	1892	1p	.30	..	..	..
45	1886	1c	.02	.12	..	..
45*	1896	1c	.02	.12	..	..
48	1897	10c	.28	..	..	..
49	1898-99	10c on 15c	.06	.30	..	..
51	1900	2c	.04	.20	..	..
53	1900	5c	.06	.25	..	..
55	1900	10c	.12	..	..	..
61*	1902	1c	.02	.10	..	..
70	1902-03	1c on 14c	.06	..	..	..
70A	1902-03	1c on 14c	1.50	..	..	..
70B	1902-03	1c on 14c	.90	..	..	..
73*	1902-03	1c on 1p	.05	.25	..	..
74	1902-03	5c on 8c	.05	..	..	..
76	1902-03	5c on 28c	.06	.30	..	..
76B	1902-03	5c on 28c	1.00	..	..	..
77*	1903	1c	.02	.10	..	..
79	1903	5c	.03	.15	..	..
80	1903	10c	.06	.32	..	..
85	1903	2c	.03	.20	..	..
86	1903	5c	.03	.18	1.70	..
87	1903	10c	.10	.60	..	..
90*	1903	60c	.22	1.20	..	..
91	1904	1c	.02	.10	.95	..
92	1904	5c	.03	.18	1.75	..
93	1904	5c	.04	.20	1.85	..
94	1904	10c	.05	.22	..	..
101*	1904	10c	.18	1.25	12.00	..
101*	1904	10c sur. Paz.	.50	..	..	..
103	1906	5c	.03	.15	1.35	..
107*	1907	1c	.02	.12	.95	..
109	1907	10c	.05	.25	..	..
111	1907	20c	.07	.35	..	..
112	1907	30c	.15	..	..	..
113*	1907	60c	.28	..	..	..
114*	1907	60c	1.50	6.75	..	..
115*	1907	1p	.60	..	..	..
116*	1907	2p	.30	..	..	..
117*	1907	5p	.85	..	..	..
118*	1907	10p	1.60	..	..	..
119*	1907	20p	3.25	..	..	..
120*	1907	5c on 2c	.04	.22	2.00	..
121	1907	5c on 2c	.04	.18	1.70	..
122*	1908	5c on 10c	.06	.25	2.25	..
123*	1908	5c on 10c	.50	2.50	23.00	..
125*	1908	5c on 20c	.18	.90	..	..
126*	1908	5c on 30c	.05	.22	2.00	..
127*	1908	5c on 30c	.05	.22	2.00	..
128*	1908	5c on 60c	.05	.22	2.00	..
129*	1908	5c on 60c	05	.22	2.00	..
130*	1908	5c	.06	.25	..	..
131*	1908	5c	.10	.50	..	..
132C	1908	1p	.27	..	..	..
135	1908	10c	.05	.25	..	..
136A*	1908	60c	1.50	..	..	..
137	1908	1p	.60	..	..	..
138*	1908	2p	.30	..	..	..
139*	1908	2p	.30	..	..	..
140*	1908	5p	.85	..	..	..
141*	1908	5p	.85	..	..	..
142*	1908	10p	1.60	..	..	..
143*	1908	10p	1.60	..	..	..
144*	1908	20p	3.75	..	..	..
145*	1908	20p	3.75	..	..	..
146	1908	5c on 1c	.04	.18	1.60	..
146A*	1908	5c on 1c	.75	3.25	..	..
147	1908	5c on 2c	.04	.18	1.60	..
147A*	1908	5c on 2c	1.25	6.00	..	..
148*	1908	5c on 60c	.07	.32	3.00	..
149*	1908	5c on 60c	.06	.22	..	..
150*	1908	5c on 60c	.05	.20	..	..
151*	1908	5c on 28c	1.75	8.50	80.00	..
152*	1908	5c on 40c	.90	4.00	37.50	..
153*	1908	20c on 1c	.18	.80	7.50	..
153B*	1908	20c on 2c	1.10	..	..	..
154	1908	20c on 2c	1.50	6.50	..	..
156*	1908	20c on 30c	1.50	6.50	..	..
158*	1908	5c on 10c	.05	.25	..	..
159*	1908	5c on 20c	.35	1.75	..	..
160*	1908	5c on 20c	.50	2.50	..	..
161*	1908	5c on 30c	.05	.22	2.10	..
162*	1908	5c on 30c	.06	.25	..	..
163*	1908	5c on 60c	.07	.35	..	..
164*	1908	5c on 60c	.07	.40	..	..
165*	1908	5c on 60c	.90	4.50	40.00	..
169*	1908	5c on 20c	1.50	..	..	..
170A*	1908	20c on 5c	1.50	6.50	..	..
170B*	1908	5c on 20c	1.00	4.00	..	..
171*	1908	1c on 1p	.28	1.50	..	..
172*	1908	1c on 1p	.28	1.30	12.50	..
172A*	1908	1c on 1p	1.50	..	..	..
173B*	1908	1c on 1p	1.75	..	..	..
174*	1908	1c	.02	.09	.85	8.00
175	1908	5c	.03	.15	1.25	..
176	1908	10c	.05	.22	2.00	..
177	1908	20c	.06	.25	2.25	..
178	1908	30c	.09	.50	..	..
179	1908	60c	.12	..	..	..
180	1908	1p	.15	.75	..	..
181*	1909	1c	.03	.10	.90	8.50

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Paraguay.

Scott's No.		Value.	Each.	Per 10.	Per 100.	Per 1000
182*	1909	1c	.02	.08	.75	7.00
183*	1909	5c	.02	.10	..	..
184*	1909	5c	.02	.10	.95	..
185	1909	10c	.04	.15	..	..
186	1909	10c	.04	.15	..	..
187	1909	20c	.06	.28	2.60	..
188	1909	20c	.06	.28	2.60	..
189*	1909	30c	.07	.35	..	..
190*	1909	30c	.07	.35	..	..
191	1910	1c	.02	.06	.50	..
191*	1910	1c	.02	.06	.55	5.00
192	1910	5c	.02	.08	.75	..
193	1910	10c	.04	.20	1.75	..
194	1910	20c	.06	.22	2.00	..
195	1910	50c	.12	..	..	..
196	1910	75c	.15	..	..	..
197*	1911	1c	.02	.06	.50	4.50
198*	1911	2c	.02	.07	.65	6.00
199	1911	5c	.02	.09	..	..
200	1911	10c	.04	.15	1.40	..
204*	1912	20c on 50c	.06	.30	2.60	..
205*	1913	1c	.01	.04	.35	3.00
206*	1913	2c	.02	.05	.45	4.00
207	1913	5c	.02	.07	.65	..
208	1913	10c	.03	.10	.90	8.50
209	1913	20c	.04	.14	1.10	10.00
211	1913	40c	.07	.35	..	..
214	1913	75c	.08	..	..	..
216	1913	1p	.18	..	..	..
217	1913	1p 25c	.22	..	..	..
219	1913	3p	.45	..	..	..
342*	1901	2c	.07	.35	..	..
349	1903	1c	.03	.12	1.10	..
350	1903	2c	.03	.12	..	..
353*	1903	20c	.07	.40	..	..
354	1903	30c	.07	.35	3.25	..
356*	1904	1c	.15	.70	..	..
357*	1904	2c	.12	.50	..	..
359*	1905	1c	.15	.70	..	..
364	1906	10c	.15	..	..	..
365*	1908	1c	.17	.85	8.00	..
369*	1908	20c	.35	..	..	..
*		Y.& T., No.69, 30c	5.00	30.00	..	..
*		Y.& T.,No. 74, 60c	5.00	30.00	..	..
371*	1914	1c	.02	.04	.35	..
372*	1914	2c	.02	.05	.45	..
402*	1904	4c	.07	.35	3.00	..
403*	1904	10c	.10	.45	4.25	..
404*	1904	20c	.18	.80	7.50	..
405*	1914	1c	.02	.05	.40	..
406*	1914	2c	.02	.06	.50	..

PERU.

Scott's No.		Value.	Each.	Per 10.	Per 100.	Per 1000
57*	1882	10c	.03	.10	..	..
64*	1882	1s	.35	..	..	..
118*	1894	1c	.06	.22	..	..
120*	1894	2c	.04	15	1.25	..
121*	1894	2c	.03	.12	1.10	..
125	1894	2c	.04	.15	1.25	..
126	1894	5c	.12	..	..	..
131	1895-96	5c	.05	.22	..	..
141	1896	1c	.02	.06	.55	..
142	1896	2c	.02	.06	.55	..
143	1896	5c	.02	.06	.55	..
144	1896	10c	.02	.10	..	..
145	1896	20c	.02	.12	..	..
146	1896	50c	.07	..	..	..
147	1896	1s	.15	..	..	..
148*	1896	2s	.60	..	..	..
149	1897	5c	.02	.05	.40	..
150	1898	1c	.04	.22	..	..
152	1898	5c	.04	.22	..	..
154	1899	1c	.02	.04	.35	3.00
155	1899	2c	.02	.05	.40	3.50
156	1899	5c	.01	.04	.30	2.75
159	1900	10c	.02	.06	.55	5.00
161	1901	1c	.02	.09	.80	..
162	1901	2c	.02	.09	.85	..
163	1901	5c	.02	.09	.80	..
168	1907-08	1c	.01	.08	.70	6.00
169	1907-08	2c	.02	.08	.75	..
171	1907-08	5c	.01	.05	.40	3.75
177	1909	1c	.01	.04	.35	3.25
178	1909	2c	.01	.05	.45	4.00
179	1909	4c	.02	.10	.95	9.00
180	1909	5c	.01	.03	.25	2.00
181	1909	10c	.02	.08	.75	..
182	1909	12c	.03	.12	1.00	..
183	1909	20c	.04	.13	1.20	..
184	1909	50c	.07	.30	2.75	..
185	1909	1s	.11	.50	4.75	..
203	1916	10c	.16	..	..	..
209	1917-18	1c	.02	.05	.45	..
212	1917-18	5c	.02	.05	.45	..
215	1917-18	12c	.04	.18	..	..
302A*	1874-79	5c	.04	.18	..	..
304*	1874-79	20c	.25	..	..	..
336*	1902	5c on 10s	.16	..	..	..
339*	1902	1c on 10s	.30	..	..	..
340	1909	1c	.02	.09	.80	7.50
341	1909	5c	.07	.30	2.75	..
343	1909	50c	.14	.50	4.50	..
475*	1901	10c	.02	.04	.35	3.25

URUGUAY.

Scott's No.		Value.	Each.	Per 10.	Per 100.	Per 1000
30	1866	5c	.60	(3 for 1.00)		
41	1877-80	5c	.07	.35	3.40	..
50	1883	5c	.60	..	..	..
52	1883-84	5c	.15	.70	..	..
53	1883-84	1c on 10c	.09	.40	..	..
53*	1883-84	1c on 10c	.08	.40	..	..
55	1884	5c	.75	3.50	..	..
56	1884	5c	.35	1.75	..	..

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Uruguay.

Scott's No.		Value.	Each.	Per 10.	Per 100.	Per 1000
58	1884-88	1c	.03	.15	1.40	..
59	1884-88	2c	.05	.22	..	..
66	1886-88	5c	.03	.15	1.40	..
67	1886-88	5c	.02	.08	.70	..
70	1887-88	10c	.22	..	..	..
72*	1887-88	25c	.55	..	..	..
73	1889	5c	.15	.75	..	..
74	1889-90	1c	.03	.18	..	..
75	1889-90	2c	.04	.22	..	..
76	1889-90	5c	.03	.15	1.40	..
77	1889-90	7c	.25	..	..	..
84	1891-92	5c	.08	.40	..	..
86	1891-92	5c on 7c	.10	.50	..	..
87	1892	1c	.02	.12	1.15	..
88	1892	2c	.02	.12	1.15	..
89	1892	5c	.02	.10	.90	..
91	1894	1c	.02	.10	.90	..
92	1894	2c	.04	.22	2.00	..
93	1894	5c	.03	.18	1.50	..
102	1895-96	1c	.02	.10	.90	..
103	1895-96	2c	.04	.16	1.50	..
104	1895-96	5c	.02	.10	.90	..
105	1895-96	7c	.75	..	..	..
116	1897	1c	.05	.25	..	..
117	1897	5c	.07	.35	..	..
119	1897	1c	.02	.10	.90	8.50
120	1897	2c	.03	.20	..	..
121	1897	5c	.02	.10	.90	..
122	1897	7c	.28	..	..	..
134	1898	½c on 1c	.03	.17	..	..
135	1898	½c on 1c	.04	.18	..	..
138	1898	½c on 5c	.18	..	..	..
139	1898	½c on 7c	.18	..	..	..
140	1898-99	5m	.03	.18	1.75	..
142	1898-99	5m	.02	.10	.90	..
143	1898-99	1c	.02	.09	.85	..
144	1898-99	2c	.03	.17	1.60	..
145	1898-99	5c	.02	.08	.75	7.00
146	1898-99	10c	.07	.30	..	..
147	1900	5m	.01	.05	.45	4.00
149	1900	20c	.12	.55	..	..
150	1900	5c	.28	..	..	..
151	1900	1c	.02	.07	.65	6.00
152	1900	5c	.02	.06	.50	4.50
154	1901	2c	.02	.10	.90	8.00
155	1901	7c	.10	.50	..	..
160	1904	1c	.02	.10	.90	..
161	1904	2c	.02	.10	.90	..
162	1904	5c	.02	.10	.90	8.50
163	1904-05	5m	.02	.08	.70	6.50
164	1904-05	10c	.06	.25	2.25	..
165	1904-05	20c	.17	.80	..	..
166	1904-05	25c	.15	.75	..	..
170	1906	5c	.02	.10	.95	..
171	1906-07	5c	.03	.13	1.20	11.00
172	1906-07	7c	.08	..	..	..
173	1906-07	50c	.35	1.75	..	..
177	1909	2c	.25	..	..	..
178	1909	5c	.32	..	..	..
182	1910	2c	.10	..	..	..
183	1910	5c	.16	..	..	..
185	1910	5c on 50c	.15	..	..	..
187	1910	5m	.01	.07	.60	5.50
188	1910	1c	.02	.08	.75	..
189	1910	2c	.03	.12	1.00	..
190	1910	5c	.01	.06	.50	4.75
195	1910	1p	.20	..	..	..
197*	1911	2c on 7c	.85	..	..	..
198	1911	5c on 7c	.25	..	..	..
200	1912-15	5m	.02	.06	.55	5.00
201	1912-15	1c	.02	.07	.65	6.00
203	1912-15	2c	.02	.08	.70	6.50
204	1912-15	4c	.03	.15	1.40	..
205	1912-15	5c	.02	.06	.55	..
206	1912-15	8c	.05	.25	..	..
281	1902	1c	.15	..	..	..
282	1902	2c	.08	.35	..	..
283	1902	4c	.08	.35	..	..
284	1902	10c	.30	..	..	..
427	1915	23c	.32	..	..	..

VENEZUELA.

Scott's No.		Value.	Each.	Per 10.	Per 100.	Per 1000
39	1880	5c	.07	.30	..	..
41	1880	25c	.07	.30	..	..
54*	1882	5c	.02	.10	.80	..
59*	1882-88	5c	.01	.04	.30	..
62	1882-88	50c	.02	.10	..	..
77*	1887-88	25c	.03	.12	..	..
90*	1893	5c	.02	.06	.55	..
110	1893	5c	.01	.04	.35	3.00
125*	1899	10c	.02	.05	.40	..
126	1899	25c	.02	.05	.40	..
139*	1900	50c	.02	.05	.45	..
141*	1900	3b	.04	.18	1.50	..
146*	1900	25c	.02	.04	.35	..
148A*	1900	1b	.03	.08	.60	..
149	1900	3b	.55	..	..	..
157*	1901-03	5c	.02	.03	.25	2.00
158*	1901-03	10c	.02	.03	.25	2.00
160*	1901-03	25c	.02	.03	.25	2.00
162	1901-03	1b	1.00	..	..	..
230B	1904	5c on 50c	.07	.25	..	..
231	1904-06	5c	.01	.04	.35	..
233	1904-06	15c	.04	.20	1.75	..
234	1904-06	25c	.02	.05	.40	..
237*	1904-06	5c	.01	.15	..	..
238*	1904-06	10c	.03	.15	..	..
239*	1904-06	25c	.04	.15	..	..
240*	1904-06	50c	.07	.30	..	..
242*	1904-06	3b	.15	.40	3.00	..
243*	1904-06	10b	.50	2.00	..	..

NEWFOUNDLAND CARIBOU ISSUE.

	Each.	Per 10.	Per 100.	Per 1000
1c	.02	.12	1.00	9.50
2c	.02	.12	1.00	9.50
3c	.02	.10	.80	7.50
5c	.05	.35	3.00	..

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EDITORIAL.

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Expressed—Several of our friends have been kind enough to write us their sentiments about the suggestions carried by the 1500th issue of a weekly publication devoted to a pursuit that is not catalogued among the "regular" avocations. We are impressed by their greetings and their words of praise bring the blush of pride to our brazen cheeks. One correspondent says that the influence of the example of our coming each week for fifteen hundred times has had a sustaining force on collecting that cannot be estimated. He thinks that we "are all too modest" and that support of our paper should not be an individual matter but one that should engage the aid of all who are interested in the welfare of philately; and adds: "The debt of gratitude is not owed by you for having extracted nourishment enough to sustain existence for so many years but philately's for having the tremendous impetus of a private project that does so much public good." Let us draw the curtain here.

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Slow—The advertising columns of this number show the present vast commercial estate of collecting. While we are gratified that so splendid a representation of the business side is gathered on our columns, yet we wish to go beyond the selfish limits of crowded advertising columns and say that with all their enterprise dealers in stamps have been remiss in not organizing themselves into a powerful, recognized body for mutual expansion and protection. This declaration comes home to us when we find other lines in which the investment does not compare with philately's are highly organized to repel aggressions from all points of the compass. We believe that the American Stamp Dealers' Association is doing excellent work, but we have been told that the support that it has received is by no means commensurate with the strength of dealing interests. It is the duty of dealers to rally to the standard of this society that already is established so that they may know that a sentinel watches over the dealers' camp. The dealers' interests and those of the collectors are not always identical, and now that the collectors' societies have made a start in the right direction, the dealers should do the same.

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Working—The Publicity Committee recently appointed by President Wilson of the American Philatelic Society is already justifying its existence; and Mr. Diamant, the energetic chairman of the committee, has submitted, we understand, a tentative proposal that embraces lines of procedure that combine enterprise and originality. In view of the interest engendered by the illustrated lecture at St. Louis during the convention (we are told that seventeen new members were admitted to the local society there at the last meeting) the idea of amplifying the use of the pictured stamps becomes attractive. Lectures, illustrated by, say, fifty slides and prepared to the number of twelve, given under the auspices of the branch societies, not to mention others, would have

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great possibilities. The distribution of stamps to the boys would be a feature of these occasions and the fund to be drawn on for the expenses of distributions of the kind should be a liberal one. We like the lecture suggestion, which if worked out will provide an effective advertising feature. The publicity plans are being considered by Mr. Diamant's committee and we have had the privilege of looking over a draft of the different schemes that are being devised; and here we may say without anticipating any of the proposals of the committee that they seem to be both practical and reasonable.

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Ah—From Mr. Wilson D. Wood, Kansas City, Mo., we have received a clipping that intrigues us greatly. It is from the *Star* of his city, and bears a Salina, Kansas, date-line. The story is told that a man of Salina "began when a small boy to save old stamps, and his collection was a large, heavy one when Mr. Bryan visited that city about twenty years ago. Hearing of the collection, he found the boy and paid him $700 for it." To continue: "Mr. Harris used the money to go into business for himself and has been going ever since. He is now the proprietor of the Salina steam laundry, and the $700 is still a part of the assets on which he is conducting the business. Mr. Harris says that Mr. Bryan's collection of stamps—to which he is still adding—is valued at $35,000." We have a crony who traveled extensively with William Jennings Bryan and from what he tells us the one-time "Boy Orator of the Platte" assuredly did not pay $700 twenty years ago for any stamp collection, even a "heavy" one; and that he has not a stamp collection valued at $35,000; and his arguments to prove his contentions will not be given space here. Mr. Wood says: "This is the best recommendation I have as yet seen for Mr. Bryan, and I think that if publicity had been given this side of his character at the proper time, the few extra votes necessary to put him over might have been forthcoming." We admire the genius of the *Star's* young man; and his work bespeaks both art and artifice. It sometimes happens that wild recitals of this description have some foundation in fact and it would be interesting to know what basis the story has; and if it is proved that William J. Bryan has a collection at all, we will eat humble pie.

AIR POST STAMPS.

Special stamps for use in the transatlantic airpost have been prepared by the Newfoundland Postoffice, in two separate types. That for the Handley-Page service consists of the 15-cent (Cabot series) surcharged "Transatlantic Air Post, 1919-$1," while the Sopwith Martinsyde stamp is the current 3-cent (Caribou Head), the same that was used to frank the letters carried by Hawker and Grieve on their flight.

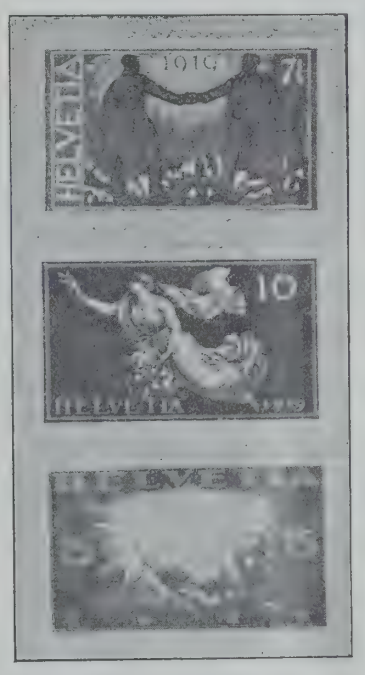
The historic stamp bearing the imprint "First Transatlantic Air Post, May, 1919," will be eagerly sought after by stamp collectors, as only 200 specimens exist. The original printing had the date "April" instead of May.

The latest novelty in aerial stamps hails from Tunis, where the 35-cent postage stamp has been converted to aerial use by means of a winged overprint, resembling the badge of the R. A. F., and the words "Poste Aerienne." Switzerland, too, has utilized the badge of the national air corps, a winged propeller, to distinguish the special 50-cent stamp employed in the air post service between Zurich and Lausanne.

Three stamps of the face values 75 centimes black, 1 franc blue and 1 franc 25 centimes red, for use in the French air post, are being prepared by the Government stamp printery. The design, by M. Leon Ruffe, shows a portrait of Captain Guynemer inset above views of the airdrome at Issy-le-Moulineaux and of an airplane flying over the Seine. These stamps will not be issued to the public, but will be affixed by the postal officials to denote supplementary charges for letters carried by airplane. Belgium has also a series of aerial postage stamps in course of production.—*London Times.*

THE NEW SWISS PEACE STAMPS.

We illustrate herewith the new peace stamps just issued by Switzerland. Mr. A. Koechlin of Berne sent us a specimen set issued August 1 and consisting of three values:—7½, 10 and 15c.



The issue is a so-called "limited one", to the extent for 4,500,000 copies of each value. The issue is limited in that any re-issue will not be allowed. The stamps were originally intended for inland mail but they have found their way into use for foreign postage.

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1p War Tax, two lines ..... .04
3p War Tax, two lines ..... .10
1sh War Tax, two lines ..... .35
Denmark 1919, 7 ore ..... .05
1919, 30 ore ..... .15
1919, 40 ore ..... .20
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1914, 1pe, No. 2449 .... .16
RED CROSS Dahomey 1915, 5 on 10c*.. .05
RED CROSS Fr.Guiana 5 on 10c*,No.202 .04
RED CROSS Fr.Guinea 5 on 10c*,No.201 .05
RED CROSS Fr. India 5 on 10c*,No.102 1.65
RED CROSS Fr. India 5 on 10c*,No.104 .10
RED CROSS Fr. India 5 on 10c*,No.105 .05
RED CROSS Oceanica 1915, 10c*, No. 38 .27
" 1915, 5 on 10c* No.101 .95
RED CROSS Gabon 1917,5 on 10c*No.203* .05
.." 1916, 5 on 10c* No.201 1.75
RED CROSS Guadeloupe 5 on 10c*No.151 .06
RED CROSS Ivory Coast 1915, 5 on 10c* .05
RED CROSS Madagascar 5 on 10c,No.191* .05
Mauritania 5 on 10c,No.91* .05
RED CROSS Martinique 5 on 10c,No.151* .05
Mid. Congo,No.101*(cat.$2) .85
RED CROSS Middle Congo, No. 102*.. .05
RED CROSS New Caledonia '15.No.251* .09
RED CROSS New Caledonia '17,No.252* .05
New Caledonia '17,No.253* .07
RED CROSS Reunion 1915, No. 152* .. .23
RED CROSS Reunion 1916, No. 153* .. .05
RED CROSS St. Pierre 1915, No. 201* .07
Senegal 1915, No. 151* ... .05
RED CROSS Senegal 1918, 5 on 15c*.. .06
RED CROSS Tunis 10c on 15,20,25,35,40c* .45
RED CROSS Tunis 10c on 1fr* ..... .30
Tunis 15c on 20, 25, 40, 75c* .40
RED CROSS Tunis 15c on 1fr* ..... .32
Ubangi, No. 101* ..... .55
Ubangi, No. 102* ..... .05

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ANTIGUA ½p green, No. 101, used .... .07
½p green, No. 102* ..... .03
ANTIGUA 1½d orange, No. 103* ..... .07
1½d orange, used ..... .10
BAHAMAS 1918, 5d Special, No. 103*.. .20
BAHAMAS 1918, ½p green, No. 301* ... .60
BAHAMAS 1918, ½p London, one line* .04
BAHAMAS 1918, 1p London, one line* .05
BAHAMAS 1918, 3p London, 1 line* .. .25
BAHAMAS '18, 3p London,1 line*(white) .15
BAHAMAS 1918, 1sh London, one line* .55
BAHAMAS 1919, ½ London, two lines* .03
BAHAMAS 1919, 1d London, two lines* .05
BAHAMAS 1919, 3d London, two lines* .15
BAHAMAS 1919, 1sh London, two lines* .60
War Charity, 1p red & blk.* .06
Same used ..... .10
BARBADOS 1917, 1p red, No. 251* .. .05
BERMUDA 1918, 1p red, No. 101, used .10
1918, same* ..... .05
BR. HONDURAS 1916, 1c grn., No. 201* .15
1918, 1c grn., No.204* .07
BR. HONDURAS 1919, 1c* green ..... .03
1919, 3c orange* .... .07
CANADA 1915, 20c olive*, a good stamp ..... .85
CAYMAN IS. 1917, 1½p, No. 102* ..... .35
'17, 1½p, No.103* used,rare .20
CAYMAN IS. 1917, same* ..... .09
1919, ½p green* ..... .04
1919, 1½p orange* ..... .08
CEYLON Complete sets of 5 varieties* War Tax ..... .12
DOMINICA ½d London print* ..... .04
1½d London print* ..... .08
3d London print* ..... .15
EAST AFRICA 4c on 6c Provisional*, said to be scarce ..... .10
FALKLAND IS. ½d green, local sur.*.. .25
1d red, local sur.* .... .22
GER. EAST AF. on East Africa 1, 3, 6, 10, 12, 15, 25, 50c* un-
GER. EAST AF. derpriced 1.00
GER. EAST AF. 75c green* ..... .60
1 rupee* ..... .70
2 rupees* 1.25
GILBERT & ELLICE 1919, 1p red* .. .05
GOLD COAST 1918, 1p on 1p* ..... .05
JAMAICA 1916, 3p (white back)* 1.00
1916, 1½ green, No. 304 .... .03
JAMAICA 1916, 1½ orange, No. 305 .... .06
1917, 1½p orange, No. 308 ... .04
1917, 3p brown, No. 309 .... .05
MALTA 1918, ½p green* ..... .03
1918, 3p violet & gray* ..... .15
MONTSERRAT 1917, ½d green, No. 101* .07
1917, same, used ..... .10
MONTSERRAT 1918, ½p green* ..... .04
1919, 1½p orange* ..... .08
NAURU on Gt. Britain ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 5d* good set ..... .65
ST. HELENA 1916, 1p red, No. 101* .. .12
1919, 1d on 1p* ..... .10
ST. KITTS 1916, ½p green* ..... .04
1919, 1½p orange* ..... .08
ST. VINCENT 1916, 1p red, No. 201*.... .80
1916, 1p red* ..... .06
TRENGGANU 3 on 2c used, rare ..... .20
2 on 8c used, rare ..... .40
TRENGGANU 1918, 2 on 4c, No. 105* .. .60
2 on 3c* ..... .08
TURKS IS. 1918, 1p (1st London)* .... .08
1918, 1p (2nd London)* 06
TURKS IS. 1918, 3p (2nd Local)* ..... .25
1918, 3p (4th Local in red*) 2.00
1918, 3p London* ..... .15
VIRGIN IS. 1916, 1p scarlet* ..... .06
1916, 3p violet* ..... .15
TRINIDAD 1917, 1p, No. 155* ..... .10
RHODESIA, ½ on 1p, No. 138 ..... 1.25

NEW EUROPE, ETC.

Under this head we have listed the new countries which have come into being as a result of the War, whether in Europe or elsewhere.

BOHEMIA (Czecho-Slovakia) Imp. 3, 5, 10, 20, 25, 30, 40d* ..... .50
BOHEMIA 60d orange, imp. ..... .10
80d green, imp. ..... .15
BOHEMIA 5, 10, 20d used, imp. ..... .17
Dues 5, 10, 15d imp.* ..... .18
ESTHONIA 5, 15, 35, 70k imperforate* .65
5p imp. 10p perf.* ..... .13
JUGO-SLAVIA on Bosnia Pictorial set of 1910, 3, 5, 10, 20, 25, 30, 40, 45, 50h, 60 on 50h, 80h on 6h, 90h on 35h, 2k, 3k on 3h, 4k on 1k, 10k on 2h* comp. 6.50
JUGO-SLAVIA on Bosnia W.Char.10,15h 2.00
JUGO-SLAVIA on Bosnia Exp. 5h grn.* 1.50
JUGO-SLAVIA on Bosnia Dues 2, 4, 5. 6,10,20,25,30,40,50h,1k,3k* 4.25
JUGO-SLAVIA on Bosnia News 3 on 2h, 5 on 6h* ..... .48
JUGO-SLAVIA on Hungary, surcharged S.H.S. 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 15, 20, 20, 25, 35, 40, 50, 75, 80, 1k, 2k* 16 var. 4.00
JUGO-SLAVIA 1919, 2, 3, 5, 10,20,25,45h*1 .50
1919, 1k, 3k, 5k* 1.50
JUGO-SLAVIA Dues 5, 10,20,50h,1,5,10k* 3.90
(Croatia)Slave breaking chains, 3, 5, 10, 20, 25, 40h*.. .50
(Croatia) 50, 60h, 1k, 2k* 1.00
LETTONIA 5, 10, 15k on writing paper* .45
5,10,15,20,35,50k ordinary pa. 1.25
5, 15, 35c just out ..... .25
LITHUANIA 10. 15, 20, 30, 40, 50, 75s, 1, 3, 5au on grey bread ticket paper. Used or new sets 9.50
LITHUANIA 10, 15, 20, 30, 40, 50, 75s, 1, 3, 5au on ordinary wove paper. New or used 8.00
LITHUANIA 10, 15, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 75, 1, 3. 5au, re-drawn set and new colors. Used or new 3.75
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POLAND Same as above but no 3pf*.. 2.95
Bosnian War Charity "Karlfonds" sur. eagle and "Polska Poczta"* 10, 20, 45h comp. 3.75
POLAND Cracow Issue, eagle design in white,5,10,15,20,25,50,70k,1k* 1.35
POLAND Regular set, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 50f. 1M* imp. ..... .60
POLAND Reg. set, 1.50, 2, 2.50, 5m* imp. 2.50
Reg. set, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 50f, 1M*, perf. ..... .08
POLAND Reg.set,1.50, $2.,2.50, 5M* perf. 2.50
Reg. set, 3. 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 50h, 1k* perf. ..... .60
POLAND Reg. set, same set imperf.* .60
Reg. set, 1.50, 2., 2.50, 5k imp.* 2.60
POLAND Reg. set, same set perf.*.... 2.60
Jub. issue 10, 15, 20, 25, 50f, 1m*. Quite a pretty set .... .40
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Red Cross same set imperf.* .68

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PALESTINE Same used 1.35
PALESTINE 1, 2, 3, 4, 5m* ..... .25
1pi blue, perforated ..... .07
PALESTINE 2pi, 5pi* ..... .85
9pi bistre, used ..... .65
PALESTINE 9pi bistre,* ..... .65
10pi ultramarine* ..... .78
20pi grey* 1.50
UKRAINE on Russia 2, 4, 5k perf.* each .10
on Russia 1k, 3k imp.* each .10
UKRAINE on Russia 70k imperf.* ... 1.45
on Russia 1 ruble* imperf... .95
CILICIE on 2pa Turkey Jub.* ..... .50
on 4pa Turkey Jub.* ..... .50
IRAQ (Mesopotamia) ½a to 10 rupees* on Turkish Pictorial set 13 var.* complete 14.50
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OTHER WAR ISSUES

of European countries, their colonies, etc.

AUSTRIA 1917, 15, 20, 25, 30h,Nos.168-171 .10
1915, Nos. 403-407, 5 var. .. .25
AUSTRIA 1915, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 10, 12, 20, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 60, 72, 80, 90h, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10k*, Nos. 472-498 ..... 14.50
AUSTRIA Aero Post 1.50, 2.50, 4k* 1.35
AUSTRIA 1917, Nos. 684 to 687 ..... .25
AUSTRIA Occupation of Italy, Italian values on Austrian stamps, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 11, 13, 16, 22, 27, 32, 43, 53, 64, 85, 95c, 2.11c, 3.10c, 4.22c, 19 var.* complete 3.75
AUSTRIA Same as above on dues, 6c-53c; News. 3c-22c, Express, 3c, 6c; 13 varieties* 2.25
AUSTRIA Occupation of Servia 2, 3, 5k* 1.40
GER. AUSTRIA Austrian stamps sur. "Deutschofterreich" 3, 5,6,10,12,15,20,25,30,40,50,60,80,90h* .55
GER. AUSTRIA Same 1k, 2k, 3k, 4k,10k* 1.75
Same Dues 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50h* ..... .25
GER. AUSTRIA Same Dues 1k, 5k, 10k* 1.35
Same Spec. Del. 2h, 5h* .02
GER. BELGIUM 3, 5, 8, 10, 15, 25, 40, 50c Nos. 713-720, a good set and cheap ..... .75
GER. BELGIUM 75 on 60c, No. 721 rare, used 6.00
6f25c on 5m, No. 725 .. 5.50
GER. E. AFRICA on Congo 5, 10, 15, 25, 40, 50c* ..... .62
On Congo, 1fr olive & black* .33
GER. E. AFRICA on Congo 5frs orange & black* No. 108 .... 1.45
GER. E. AFRICA on Congo double face Red Cross set, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40, 50c* .... .90
GER. E. AFRICA 1fr olive and black*. .55
GER. E. AFRICA 5fr orange & blue*.. 2.45
GER. E. AFRICA 10frs green & blue*... 5.00
N. F. on Nyassaland ½, 1, 3, 4p* 9.00
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CONGO Red Cross (double face set) 5, 10, 25, 40, 50c* ..... .90
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BOSNIA 1916, 3h-10k, Nos. 86-104, complete set 5.50
BULGARIA 1917, 15c, No. 125 ..... .10
1918, 1, 2, 3s Czar ..... .25
FINLAND 1917, 5, 10, 20, 25, 40, 50p .. .15
1917, 1m rose and black .... .10
FINLAND 1917, 5m violet & black(Spec.) .39
'18, Wasa 5,10,30,40,50,70p,1M* 1.90
GERMANY National Assembly stamps, 10, 15, 25p*, certainly diff. .10
GREECE No. 306* ..... .10
1 on 80*, No. 311 ..... .25
GREECE 5 on 60*, No. 314a ..... .50
5 on 80*, No. 315 ..... .25
GREECE 5 on 10*, No. 321 ..... .25
5 on 10*, No. 322 ..... .10
GREECE 1 on 50* ..... .15
1916, 31. No. 234b*..... .18
GREECE 1917, 1, 5, 10, 25, 50l, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5. 10, 25dr*, Nos. 241-252. A good set 15.00
HUNGARY 1916, 50f, 75, 80, 1k, 2k .... .39
1916, 35, 40, 50, 75, 80* 1.25
HUNGARY 1916, 20, 45f* Magyar .... .38
1915, 1f to 5k, Nos. 185-201 complete used 2.95
HUNGARY "Koztarsasag" 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10. 15, 20, 20, 25f*, 50f* .... .95
HUNGARY Same Charity 10, 15, 40f* .. .5
Same 1k, 2k, 3k, 5k, 10k*.. 4.7
HUNGARY Aero Stamps 1k50, 2k50c* on 75c and 2k* 1.9
HUNGARY "Koztarsasag" on Dues 2, 3, 10, 20, 40, 50f*, 6 var. 7

ITALIAN OCCUPATION, ETC.

An almost complete line of these issue all of which are now obsolete.

Occupation of Trieste—Austrian stamps surcharged "Venezia Giulia"
3h violet, used 5
5h, 10h, 15h, 20h* each 3
6h orange*, scarce 1.6
12h blue green*, scarce 2.5
30h violet* 1.4
50h green* 1.8
60h blue* 3.6
80h red brown* 2.3
1k red on yellow* 2.5

Italian stamps surcharged "Venezia Giulia"
1c or 2c* each 6
5, 10, 20, 25c* 3
40c brown used 7
45c olive* 2
50c violet used 7
11 green and brown* 1.6
Dues 5h, or 10h each* 1
Dues 20h orange & black* 3
Dues 30h orange and black 1.0
Dues 40h orange and black 1.3

Occupation of Trent—Austrian stamps surcharged "Regno d'Italia, Trentino, Nov 1918"
3h violet* 1.2
5h green* 5
10h claret* 5
15h brown* (2,600) 5.7
20h green* 7
30h violet* (2,600) 6.7
50h green* (2,300) 7.7

Italian Stamps Sur. "Venezia Tridentina"
1c, or 2c* each 3
10c rose* 2
20c orange 4
40c olive* (5,000) 3.0
1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 40, 45, 50c, 11 complete set used 13.7

Italian Stamps Sur. "di Corona" and values.
1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 25, 40, 45, 50, 60c, 11* 1.3
ITALY 1915, 5 on 20c, No. 193* 1
1917, 25 on 40c* No. 203 2
ITALY 1917, 25c rose, No. 215* Aero .. .1
1917, 25c on 40c No. 216* Aero.. .1
LIBIA 1915, 5 on 10c, No. 1351* 0
1915, 5 on 15c, No. 1352* 1.1
LIBIA 1915, 5 on 20c, No. 1353* 0
1916, 20c on 15c, No. 1354* 1
BENADIR 5 on 15c, No. 102* 3
15 on 20c, No. 104* 1
ERITREA 20 on 15c, No. 42* 2
5 on 15c, No. 152* 3
20 on 15c*, No. 154 2
FIUME on Hungary, etc. Set of 43 values, used, scarce goods 100.0
PECHINO Italian China (Peking) ½ on 1, 1 on 2, 2 on 5, 4 on 10, 8 on 20, 10 on 25, 20 on 50, 40 on 11, 2d on 5l, Expr. 12 on 30c* 5.5
TIENTSIN Italian China (Tientsin) same values as above set* 5.5
PECHINO Italian China 1c, 2c, 10c* .. .2
Italian China Express 30c*.. .4
TIENTSIN Italian China 1c, 2c, 10c* .. .2
Italian China Express 30c*.. .4
PECHINO Italian China 8 on 20c*. The rare 1st issue. Only 75 were printed 250.0

We have some other odd values in these including some of the rarest stamps of the 20th Century.

KIONGA ½c, 1c, 2½c, 5c on 100c L. Marques* Scott's Nos. 1 to 4 1.7
LIBERIA 1918, 1 on 2c, 2c on 2c, 2 on 5c * Red Cross set 2
LIBERIA Red Cross 1918, 2c on 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 50c* 2.3
Red Cross 2c on 75c, $1, $2, $5 15.0
MOZAMBIQUE War Tax 1916 1c green, 5c rose Scott Nos.325,326* .1
MOZAMBIQUE War Tax Prov., 2½c on 1c red* 1
MOZAMBIQUE War Tax Dues 1c green. No. 381* 2
MOZAMBIQUE War Tax Dues 5c rose. No 382* (cat. $1) 3
WAR TAX Macau 2, 9, 11a* 1
Port. India 1, 4, 5c* 1
Port. Africa 1, 4, 5c* 1
ROUMANIA German Occ. 10b, No. 906* .7
German Occ. 15b, No. 901 .4
ROUMANIA German Occ.Nos.907,908,909 1.3
German Occ., Nos. 910-913 .6
ROUMANIA German Occ. Dues 5, 10, 20, 30, 50h* 1.0
ROUMANIA Austrian Occ. Nos. 701-717* 17 values 3h to 4l* 4.7
ROUMANIA Austrian Occ. 3, 5, 6, 10, 12, 15, 20, 25h, Nos. 722-729 .4
ROUMANIA Same Nos. 722-739 complete set of 17 values, 3h-4l 4.0

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W. C. PHILLIPS & CO., Box 1012, HARTFORD, CONN.

$5 U. S. FREE

$5 green 1916
$5 green and black 1918

Either one of these $5 (your choice) free with an order of $10 or more from this list of offers.

This list is full of good stamps, "hard-to-get" ones. Space will not permit going into detail but we will mention the Scandinavians, Russian rubles, French and Portuguese Colonials. There are many others just as good. It's full of desirable high values. The discount is liberal on most items, but cost price rather than catalog has governed our pricing. There never was a time in the history of stamp collecting when catalog prices meant as little as today, so do not make the mistake of placing too much faith in Scott cat. values which are a year old. We try to list only items we think our stock and supply will meet, but it's impossible to anticipate runs on special things and so we ask you to kindly give a small second choice order when possible. All stamps are good average to fine shape and money back if not O. K. This sign means unused (*); all others used. Cat. prices given thus (50c) in some cases.

SPECIAL SNAPS

In this column we list a few items we are able to offer at much less than usual prices, through favorable purchases, etc. All are desirable goods, and we repeat the prices are SPECIAL, and many of the offers will not be made again by us at these figures. POSITIVELY not over TWO copies of any one stamp to a customer. Do not order more, please.

UNITED STATES.

1919 The 3c red envelope, entire, white, error of color, red instead of purple* for $3.75

1916 $2 blue, perf. 10. Superb, lightly cancelled copies that look as well as unused. Beauties .... .68

1918 $2 red & black, very nice ones. It's a scarce little stamp and not many being used ..... .68

1918 $5 green & black, very fine copies, picked. This, too, is not very plentiful, especially good ones 1.25

c red ERROR, perf. 11, good average singles with no 2c stamps attached. This, too, is dropping out of the market 2.75

919, 1c green* experimental 12½ perforation (Rosbach) 3c each or 10c for blk. of 4.

919, 1c green, perf. 10x11, each	.05
919, 2c red, perf. 10x11, each	.10
919, 1c green, double print*	3.75

PHILIPPINES 1864, 12 4-8c blue on salmon* cat. $1.50,fine copies for only ..... .48

PHILIPPINES 1864, 25c rose on pink* cat. $1.50, fine copies for .52

DANISH WEST INDIES.

(VIRGIN IS.) U. S. COLONY.

915, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50b* fine mint sets cat. $3.13, only $1.45

CONGO

HANDSOME BI-COLORED PICTORIALS. FINE COPIES.

	Cat.	Only
894, 25c orange and black*	.25	.09
894, 50c green and black*	.25	.09
908, 50c olive and black, No. 36..	.40	.13
908, 1fr red and black, No. 37..	.50	.15
908, 5frs red and black, No. 39..	2.00	.85
909, 50c olive and black, No. 44	.40	.13

FRENCH COLONIAL PICTORIALS,

HANDSOME.

	Cat.	Only
unis 1906, 40c brn. & red brn.	.12	.04
1906, 75c brown and red	.20	.09
1906, 1fr red and brown	.25	.09
1906, 2frs green and brown	.50	.18
Senegal 1906, 25c blue & pink ..	.20	.06
1913, 1fr violet and black	.35	.13

SWEDEN 1910, 5 KRONE claret on yellow. CAT. $1.50.

We have been out of this stamp for some time and have paid as much for them as we ask now until we made a favorable purchase we give our customers the benefit of. Nice copies which catalog $1.50 for only 48c—a snap.

FINLAND 1917, 5 MARKS violet & black. Like the 5k Sweden a special purchase allows us to quote a very low price of 37c for a nice copy.

FERNANDO PO 1900, 5, 10, 15, 20, 40, 60, 80c*, Cat. $3.65, and missing in many collections. OUR PRICE IS $1.35.

GABON A handsome set. 1910, 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 20, 25c catalog 68c. Cheap at 24c. Pictorials.

ECUADOR A big discount offer. 1906, 10 on 20c, No. 163*, 3 on 20c, No. 164b. Cat. value of the pair $5. Yours for 98c.

ST. HELENA 1912, 6p, No. 72* cat. $1, only ..... .45

GER. E. AFRICA 1p N. F. (War stamp) * cat. $1.25 for only .39

PAPUA 1917, 1p on ½p*, cat. 25c, only ..... .06

MONTENEGRO 1896, PICTORIAL SET

1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 50n, 1, 2fl* Handsome bi-colored set cataloging $1.28. Our price only 45c.

NICARAGUA 2p salmon, cat. 20c, only .06
5p black, cat. 25c, only.. .08

Two good cheap stamps missing in many collections.

ABYSSINIA

1905, Nos. 43 to 49, scarce*	3.95
1912, Nos. 94 to 100, scarce	25.00
1908, 1p on ½g, No. 79*	7.75
1917, Nos. 101 to 107* inverted sur.* ..	9.50
Nos. 108 to 115*, inverted sur.....	15.00
2g blue, No. 111* rare	2.50
¼ on 8g, No. 116*	.35
¼ on 8g, No. 117*	.35
1g on 16g, No. 118*	.50
2g on 16g, No. 119*	.60
Nos. 116, 117, 118, 119* inv. sur.*	9.50
Nos. 219 to 225	4.00
Nos. 226 to 232	4.50
Nos. 108 to 117* double sur.*	14.00

ARGENTINE 1912, 1p blue & rose .... .09
1916, Jub. 50c black .... .13

ARGENTINE 1916, Jub. 24c red brown .07
1917, 50c black ..... .09

ARGENTINE 1917, 1p blue and red.. .09
1917, 5p green and black .90

BELGIUM 1912, 10c, 25c*, Nos. 103, 105 .11

BELGIUM 1915, Pict. 40c grn. & black .09

BELGIUM 1915, Pict. 50c rose & black .11

BELGIUM 1915, Pict. 1fr violet ..... .19

BELGIUM 1915, Pict. 2frs slate ..... .40

BELGIUM 1915, Pict. 5frs blue 1.00

BELGIUM 1911, 1c, No. 248a*, Charity .11
1911, 1c No. 249*, Charity .. .11

BOLIVIA 1919, 22c blue ..... .08
1919, 24c purple ..... .10

BOSNIA 1900, 1, 2, 5 krones ..... .95

BOSNIA 1906, Jub. 1h to 5k* 1.68

BOSNIA 1906, Jub. 1k, 2k, 5k* 1.25

BRAZIL 1906, Jub. 1h to 5k 1.10

BRAZIL 1910, 10,000r brown 1.20
1917, 5,000r brown ..... .23

BRAZIL 1919, 1000r blue (new design) .05
1919, 5000r violet (new design) .30

BULGARIA 1901, 5 on 3s, No. 55a* .. 5.00
1902, 5s lake, No. 70*(Cat.$1) .45

BULGARIA 10s blue green*, (cat.$1.25) .55
15s blue, No. 72*, (cat. $1.50) .65

CHILI 1911, 1p green and black..... .04
1919, 2 peso (litho.) ..... .40

CHINA 1912, 1c ochre, No. 103, rare.. 3.25

CHINA 1912, 3c green, No. 104, rare .. 3.50

CHINA 1913, $1 ochre and black ..... .06
1913, Special, No. 277 ..... .10

COLOMBIA 1903, 10p grn., No. 224*(60c) .19

COLOMBIA 1903, No. 296 or 297* each .55

COLOMBIA 1903, No. 299 or 300* each .65
1904, Nos. 309, 310, 312, 313* 3.75

COLOMBIA Bolivar 1880, 80c* ..... .58
Bolivar, 5p, No. 67a* .... .78

COLOMBIA Bolivar 10p No. 68d* 2.25
Bolivar, 10p, No. 87* ..... .95

COLOMBIA Cundinamarca 1p, No. 15*. 2.45
Tolima '96, 1 on 2c,No.78a* 1.35

See Special offers for others.

CONGO 1888, 5c*, 10c* ..... .05
1895, 5c*, or 10c* each ..... .04

CONGO 1908, 5c grn. & black* (15c).. .06
1908, 10c red & black* (20c).. .07

COSTA RICA 1910, 1col ..... .23
1911, 2 on 10c, No. 94 .. 4.25

CRETE 1898, Nos. 2, 3, 4 or 5*, each (20c) .08
1899, Nos. 40, 43, 45, 46*, each .22

DANISH W. IND. 1896, 3c, No. 17* ... .25
1900, 1c green* ..... .04

DANISH W. IND. 1908, 25c blue & blue .05
We have other D. W. I.

DANISH W. IND. 1915, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25b, 30, 40, 50b*, A good and scarce set (Spec.) 1.45

ECUADOR 1901, 1c to 5s* ($2.63) 1.10
1909, 1c to 5s* ($3.03) 1.45

ECUADOR

A few offers in the better values of this country. We have a good stock of others not listed here.

1865, 1r yellow*, No. 1a	1.25	.55
1872, ½r blue, No. 7a*	2.00	.58
1895, 1s carmine*, No. 53	3.00	.68
1896, 10 on 4c*, No. 73	.35	.11
1897, 50c orange, No. 82*	2.50	.88
50c orange, No. 90	.25	.10
20c black, No. 97*	.50	.19
5s blue, No. 100a	..	1.50
5s blue, No. 112	4.00	1.58
1906, 3 on 5c*, No. 164a	2.00	.69
3 on 20c*, No. 164b*	3.00	1.15
1897, 20c blue, No. 406*	2.50	1.10
10c, 20c*, No. 541 or 542*, ea.	1.75	.65
1896, Dues 20, 50, 100c*	.33	.32
1886, Off. 10c orange*	.75	.29
Off. 10c orange, inv.*	1.00	.39
20c violet, inv.*	1.00	.33
50c green, inv.*	2.00	.95
1887, Off. 2c vermilion, inv.*	1.00	.37
5c blue*	.50	.17
5c blue, inv.*	.75	.22
1896, Off. 1c to 5p, Nos. 734-741 ..	2.75	.98
1897, Off. 20c black, No. 746*	1.25	.38
1, 2, 5c, Nos. 756, 757, 758*, ea.	2.50	.65
Same inverted sur., each*...	..	1.00
10, 20, 50c, Nos.759,760,761*,ea.	3.00	.78
Same inverted sur., each* ..	..	1.35
1s black, No. 762*	3.75	1.10
Same inverted sur.*	..	2.00
50c black, No. 782*	3.75	1.50
20c black, No. 774*	.65	.23

EGYPT 1914, 50m violet (30c) ..... .08
1914, 100m black (65c) ..... .18

SOUDAN 1898, 2pi blue & black ..... .13
1898, 10pi violet & black .... .25

SOUDAN 1902, 2pi blue & black (30c) .11
1902, 5pi brn. and green (40c) .14

SOUDAN 1917, 10pi purple and black .30
O. S. G. S. 1, 3, 5m, 1, 2pi.. .20

ALSACE & LOR. 1870, 2c brown* 1.75
1870, 4c gray* 1.50

FRENCH COLONIALS.

are way underpriced. Don't place too much stock in cat. prices on these. We offer below as nice a little lot of these as has been quoted in the WEEKLY in a long time. Prices are O. K. for these, too.

Fr. Canton 1908, 75 red and black	.13
1908, 25c blue and black	.04
Fr. China 1907, 10 on 25c, No. 862	.07
Mong-Tseu 1906, 15c or. brown*	.38
Fr. Morocco 1908, 4c on 4c*	.12
Zanzibar 1893, ¼a on 5c	.15
1897, 2a on 20c, No. 2633*	.20
1897, 4a on 40c, No. 2635*	.28
1897, 20a on 2frs, No. 2638*	1.50
1902, 3a on 30c, No. 2644*	.20
Fr. Guiana 1902, 2frs violet	.25
Fr. Guinee 1906, 45c	.18
1906, 75c blue on orange	.28
Fr. India 1900, 10c red	.09
Fr. Oceanica 1892, 25c	.15
1900, 10c red	.10
1900, 25c blue	.18
1906, 5c green	.05
1906, 35c yellow	.45
1913, 1fr rose and black	.22
Fr. Soudan, 1894, 15c blue	.10
1894, 1fr olive*	.60
Annam & Tonkin, 1 on 2c, No. 1*	.38
5 on 10c, No. 3	.35
Benin 1893, 40c vermilion*	.20
Gabon 1910, 1, 2, 4, 5c (27c)	.11
1910, 20c violet and brown*	.07
1910, 25c blue and brown*	.08
Indo China 1900, 15c gray	.09
1900, 5c green	.07
Ivory Coast 1892, 25c rose*	.15
New Caledonia 1905, 25c blue	.05
1905, 35c yellow	.07
Obock 1894, 5frs rose & blue* (triangle)	1.45
1907, 35c green and brown	.06
1907, 25c blue and brown	.05
Reunion 1907, 35c green & brown	.06
New Caledonia 1900, 10c red	.07
St. Pierre 1900, 10c red	.09
Senegal 5 on 40c*, No. 26	.12
1913, 25c blue and blue	.04
1913, 45c blue and brown	.10
1913, 1fr vio. & black (Special)....	.13
Somali Coast 1902, 5c*, No. 23	.12

Other French Colonials will be found on our page of War Offers.

GREECE See War Pages for others.
1911, 2dr, No. 209 ..... .27

GREECE 1912, 2l red, No. 701* ..... .23

GREECE 1912, 3l vermilion, No. 702* .. .28

GREECE 1912, 1l green, No. 716* ..... .14
1912, Nos. 951, 952* (15c) .... .05

GREECE Samos 1915, 5, 10, 25, 50l, 1dr*, Nos. 647 to 651*, cat. $2 .... .95

GUATEMALA 1902, 2p verm. & blk.(25c) .09
1911, 5p red & black .... .29

HAYTI

is under Uncle Sam's wing at present. The following stamps are "hard-to-get" ones that are seldom offered and priced by cost and not the catalog.

1906, 7c gray*	.12
8c carmine*	.15
20c blue green*	.32
50c red*	.75
1pi claret*	1.45
1912, 7c orange red, No. 168*	.15
10c brown, No. 170*	.22
15c yellow, No. 171*	.30
1p red, No. 173*	1.45
1914, 3c brown, No. 183*	.07
4c lake, No. 184*	.08
8c carmine, No. 187*	.20
7c gray, No. 186*	.15
15c slate green, No. 189*	.30
20c blue green, No. 190*	.40
1pi claret, No. 192*	1.45
20c green and black, No. 200*	.40
4c olive, No. 206*	.10
7c orange red, No. 207*	.15
8c olive, No. 208*	.20
10c red brown, No. 209*	.22
50c yellow, No. 211*	.85
1pi red, No. 212*	1.45

Above are usually missing from collections.

HONDURAS 1913, 10 on 20 on 1c*, No.299 .40
1913, same, No. 300* 1.35

HONDURAS 1915, 1 on 2c, No. 311* .. .09
20 on 50c, No. 298* ..... .40

HUNGARY 1872, 2, 3, 5, 10, 15, 25k .... .95
Good average copies.

ITALY 1901, 5l blue and rose (25c) .... .09
See War Page for a fine line.

ITALY 1903, Dues, Nos. 281, 282 (45c).. .17
Egeo, Nos. 2051, 2052 ..... .43

ERITREA 1903, 1l green and brown .... .19
Dues 1903, 5l, 10l 1.35

JAPAN 1905, 3 rose Jub., No. 107* .... .12

JAPAN 1906, 1½s blue War, No. 108 .. .12

JAPAN 1908, 5 yen green ..... .06
1908, 10 yen brown ..... .14

JAPAN 1913, 1y green and maroon .. .12

JAPAN 1914, 1y green and maroon .. .05

JAPAN 1914, 5y green ..... .15

JAPAN 1914, 10y violet ..... .35

JAPAN 1915, 1½, 3, 4, 10s handsome set of commemoratives, cat. 52c.. .17

JAPAN 1916, 1½, 3s, Nos. 144, 145 ..... .07
War 3s, No. 201 ..... .12

JAPAN War 3s, No. 203 ..... .09
China 1902, 5 yen green 1.75

JAPAN China 1902, 10 yen violet 2.60
China 1914, 1½,2,3,4,5,10,20,25s,1y .40

LIBERIA 1880, 12c* or 24c* each (50c).. .18
1906, 1c to $5, complete 3.95

LIBERIA 1916, 2 on 15c, No. 136* ..... .05
1916, 3 on 6c, No. 157* ..... .12

LIBERIA 1917, 4c on 25c, No. 160* .... .13
1906 Off. 1c-$5 complete 3.95

NETHERLANDS 1899, 5gld claret ..... .42
1901, 10gld orange .. 4.75

DUTCH IND. 1906, 2½gld slate ..... .48
1919, 30c on 1gld ..... .28

NICARAGUA 1904, 20c brn., No. 445 ($2) .55
1904, 50c car., No.447*($5) 1.58

NICARAGUA Nos. 526-532,(no 528)*(2.25) .58
1c plum No. 616 ($1) .... .30

NICARAGUA 1c plum, No. 601 (40c) .. .10
20c brown, No. 610, ($1.25) .38

NICARAGUA 50c lake, No. 614 (50c) .. .15
$2 on 1c, No. 998* ..... .45

PANAMA 1878, 5c green* 3.00 1.25

PANAMA '78, 10c No. 6 fine blk.4*80.00 37.50

PANAMA 1894, 10 on 50c, No. 28* 5.00 1.85
1902, 20c violet, No. 70* 1.00 .39

PANAMA 1902, 1p claret, No. 75* .85 .40

PANAMA 1904, 10c yell. No. 79e* 7.50 1.75

PANAMA 1904, 50c brown, No. 81 1.00 .35

PANAMA 1904, 1p red, No. 82* .. 2.00 .85

PARAGUAY No. 12 or 13* imperforate pairs same rate. Each stp. .50

PARAGUAY 1908. 20c on 2c. No.167*($3) 1.25
1913, 1p25c blue (25c) .. .09

PARAGUAY 1886, 1, 2, 5, 7, 10, 15, 20c, Official cat. $27.50 ..... 11.50

PERSIA 1902, 8c orange* ..... 1.00 .39

PERSIA 1902, 16c green* ..... .60 .23

PERSIA 1902, 5k No. 288* ..... 2.50 .95
1905. Nos. 411 to 414* .. 3.50 1.35

PERU Nos. 190 to 195* 3.15

PERU 1911. 10c, No. 296* 1.00

PERU Puno, No. 1 or No. 3 ..... 5.00 1.50
1902, 1 on 10s* ..... .40 .17

PORTUGAL AND COLONIES.

These are one of our specialties and we make a few offers here. Good approvals to those who mean business.

1895, 500r black & red	.09
1911, 500 on 100r, No. 198	.60
1912, 8, 10, 15c	.13
20c brown	.07
50c orange	.19
1917, 30c brown on yellow	.12
1918, 1, 1½, 2, 3, 3½, 5, 7½c	.08
PORT. CONGO 1914, 75r, No. 120* ($2.50)	1.10
1914, 50r, No. 124*	.48
PORT. INDIA 1r on 2r, No. 260c*	.14
1r on 1r, No. 283*	.07
PORT. INDIA 1r on 2r, No. 283b*	.14
6r on 4½r, No. 271*	.14
PORT. INDIA 2½ on 6r, No. 319*	.35
3t on 2r, No. 387*	.07
ANGOLA 1914, 75r violet, No. 137*	.12
1912, 25 on 75r, No. 117 ($1)	.39
AZORES 1882, 50r blue	.15
1912, 7½c brown	.07
AZORES 1912, 10c brown	.09
1912, 1e green on blue	.95
AZORES 1918, 1c to 7½c	.21
1c green surch. Multa in red	
AZORES Rare Prov.	2.50
1919, ½c black sur. "Porteado"	5.00
CAPE VERDE 1902, 50r blue, No. 74 ..	.07
1903, 15, 25, 50, 75r	.15
CAPE VERDE 1911, 75c violet	.07
1912, 5, 10, 20, 25, 50, 75r	.25
7½ on 75, No. 125,post.used	.25
MACAU ½a, No. 141*	.48
2a, No. 146*	.47
MACAU 1a green, No. 424*	.07
4a pale brown, No. 426*	.11
MACAU 8a brown, No. 428*	.22
12a brown, No. 429*	.22
MOZAMBIQUE CO. 1894. 75 to 1,000r ..	.75
ST.THOS.& PR. '13,15r brn.,No.138*(50c)	.20
ST.THOS.& PR. '13,50r blue,No.139*(60c)	.23
ST.THOS.& PR. '13,15r brn.No.167*(60c)	.22
1913, 130r brn., No.149*	.35
ST.THOS.& PR. 1913, 50 on 65r, No. 169*	.23
1915, 130 on 5r, No.212*	.22
TIMOR 1913, 5 on 50r, No. 122	.60
1913, 6 on 2½r, No. 123*	.60
TIMOR 1913, 3a green, No. 129*	.60
1913, 1a red, No. 149* (12c) ..	.04
TIMOR 1913, 78a black & red on blue*, No. 147*. A scarce stamp cat. $5 each	1.95
TIMOR 1913, Dues 1a green, No. 321*	.48
1913, Dues 2a slate, No. 322* ..	.48
TIMOR 1913, Dues, 5a brown, No. 323*	.23
1913, Dues, 6a orange*, No.324*	.23
RUSSIA 1902, 3½ rubles black	.25
1902, 7 rubles black and or...	.18
RUSSIA 1913, 1r green	.10
1917, 1, 2, 3, 5k imp.*	.25
RUSSIA 1917, 1 ruble imp., No. 128	.25
1917, 3½r brn. & grn., No. 129	1.75
RUSSIA 1917, 5r blue, grn.& blue.No.130	1.75
1917, 7r green & pink, No. 131	1.75
RUSSIA 1917, 3½r brn. & grn., No. 138	1.25
1917, 7r grn. & pink, No. 140	1.25

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5c ERRORS -- SCANDINAVIANS -- BRITISH COLONIALS

Some items here seldom offered and cheap at the prices. Postage is extra on orders of less than 50c. Look over our list of approval books. Its O. K. for the general collector. Please do not remit in unused U. S. stamps unless in very small amounts. Amounts of $1 or more taken at 5% discount which is cost of cashing to us.

UNITED STATES OFFERS.

Here are a few offers in U. S. Ask for what you want if it's not here. Especial attention is called to the 5c errors, perf. 10. A many times better stamp than the 11 and the first we have been able to get in a year. Come quick, we have not many. See "Specials" for other U. S.

5c ERROR Perforated 10, well centered in block of 12, two (double) error **$15.00**

5c ERROR Same double errors in block of 12, but perfs. touch design at top **8.75**

5c ERROR Perf. 10, single copies with no stps. attached. Off center but cheap at **2.95**
Only 15 copies at this price.

U. S. 2c DIE A envelope on Oriental buff (No. 275) entire, superb, cat. $10 each.. 4.25

$2.00 1916, $2 blue, good average cop., cat. $1 (See Specials for superb) .45

$5.00 1916, $5 green, good average copies, cat. $2 each ..... .89

$5.00 1916, $5 green, very fine copies, best we have. Few come fine.. 1.25

$5.00 1918, $5 green & black, average copies and a better stamp than the green one ..... .90

$2.00 1918, $2 red & blk., average cop. and scarcest of all $ recent U. S. .48

$5.00 1916, $5 green, good used blk. 4 6.75
1918, $5 gr. & bl., good used blk.4 6.75

For 3c red Env. Error, 1c double print, and others see "Special" offers.

A FEW MORE U. S.

Our stock of most U. S. is too small to offer here so want lists are in order for anything you wish not offered.

1869, 1c buff ..... .50
1871, 1c blue* 1.45
1871, 1c blue*, No. 145, entire half sheet with margins. Fine but no gum .. 95.00
1871, 6c carmine ..... .09
1873, 15c orange* 7.75
1893, Columbus 15c green ..... .17
1895, 50c orange ..... .12
1898, 50c green Omaha ..... .65
1898, 1c, 2, 4, 5, 8, 10c Omaha ..... .23
1901, Buffalo 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 10c ..... .25
1904, Louisiana 1, 2, 3, 5, 10c ..... .15
1912, 50c violet, No. 365 ..... .11
$1, No. 368 ..... .19
50c, No. 367 ..... .07
1914, $1, No. 386 ..... .15
1916, 50c violet, No. 405 ..... .06
$1 brown, No. 406 ..... .15
1917, 50c violet, No. 426 ..... .05
$1 brown, No. 427 ..... .13
1912, 50c Parcels Post ..... .07
75c Parcels Post ..... .12
$1 Parcels Post ..... .15

U. S. IMP. 1908, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c Horiz. or Vert. line block of 4 mint Per set **1.68**

U. S. IMP. Entire sheet of 240 Hudson-Fulton imp. 2c. Beautiful thing for any stamp den **14.90**

U. S. IMP. 2c Lincoln, 2c Hudson-Fulton imp. used or new in blocks of four. Each .. **.20**

Entire env., No. 2303, fine, used..20.00 9.75
U. S. Tel., Nos. 3325 to 3328* 4.75 1.95
Tel., 1910, No. 3553* ..... 1.00 .45
Pacific Postal Teleg. Co. (scarce) 10c, 15c, 40c, 50c each stamp (cat. $4) .. 1.90

U. S. REVENUES

Others at half list in most cases. Let us know what you want.

10c Bill of Lading, imp. ..... .27
$1 Lease, imp. ..... .78
2c orange Playing Cards ..... .24
2nd Issue 3c blue and black ..... .19
20c blue and black ..... .09
$1.50 blue and black ..... .11
1914, 3c, No. 4078, scarce ..... .30
2c, No. 4077, scarce as 3c ..... .15
4, 5, 10, 25, 40, 50c postage paper .30
$1, $2, $3, $5, Rev. paper ..... .25

We have about everything in revs. except the rarities and have some of them. What do you want?

UNITED STATES APPROVALS.

Selections of all lines for all classes, but we much prefer a want list as it saves us sending only just those you need and loss of sales. Prices will be as reasonable as any. We might mention especially our books of

ENVELOPES Some nice lots of cut squares at less than half list in many cases.

M. & M. Many hundred dollars worth of these popular stamps (Match & **OTHER** Medicine) Postage, used and new. Depts., Newspapers, Telegraphs. **BOOKS** Dues, Revenues, etc.

U. S. "JUMBOS" Two books in our "Jumbo" series are O. K. for those with collections not too far advanced. No. 24 U. S. postage, Depts., etc., value about $25 to $35 net, and No. 31 U. S. Revenues, value about $25 net. See our list of approval books for details.

AERO STAMPS.

6c orange* ..... .09
16c green* ..... .20
24c AERO red and blue ..... .32
same, used ..... .22
6c AERO Arrow blocks* ..... .40
Center blocks* ..... .50
16c AERO Top plate block, top and left arrow blocks, center block. Each block of 4 .. **1.25**
24c AERO used block of four 1.00
Center line block 2.00
24c AERO "Top" plate block in red or blue, top or left arrow block. Each block of 4 .. 2.00
24c AERO Block of 12 showing two plate imprints, and arrow block. Handsome piece .. 4.90
24c AERO Right or top arrow blocks of 4, superb and cheap 1.90

Closing out covers. Only 10 or so left of some and last time we can offer some of them.

24c AERO N. Y.—Wash. Last day of rate on cover with nice Aero cancellation ..... **.75**
16c AERO Chicago—N. Y. "Pathfinder" trip, Sept. 9th on cover Nice cover ..... **.50**
16c AERO Bellefonte, Pa—Chicago, 1st regular trip Dec. 18th, 1918 ..... **.50**
16c AERO Bryan O.—Chicago, 1st regular trip Dec. 20, 1918 **.50**
16c AERO Cleveland O.—Chicago, 1st regular trip Dec. 18th, '18 (Only 12 covers) **1.25**
16c AERO Newark N. Y.—Wash. Sep. 14th on cover (fine can.) **.50**

The above covers are very interesting.

U. S.—HAYTI Cover from American Occupation forces in Hayti, showing fine special postmark, etc., on 3c U. S. stamp. Very interesting and not common ..... .25

SCANDINAVIANS

Always popular and in demand there are many stamps here that one seldom strikes in a dealer's stock, though not high priced.

DENMARK 1913, 50o, 1k ..... .07
1913, 5k red, No. 99 ..... .58
DENMARK 1918, Prov. 27o on 1o*, 27 on 7o*, 27 on 10o*, 27 on 20o*, 27 on 29o*, each .... .20
DENMARK 27 on 1o olive* ..... .25
27 on 5o blue* ..... .35
DENMARK 27 on 8o green* ..... .32
27 on 41o brown* ..... .35
DENMARK 27 on 1k green & brown*.. .25
27 on 5k rose & green* .. .45
FINLAND 1917, 40p red violet ..... .05
1917, 50p brown ..... .10
FINLAND 1917, 1m rose & black .... .12
1917, 5m violet & black .... .35
FINLAND 1866, 20p blue ..... .12
1891, 50k violet & green .... .29
ICELAND 1907, 5k brown & slate. Fine copies & a mighty scarce stp. 2.25
NORWAY 1877, 60o blue ..... .06
1911, 1kr green ..... .05
NORWAY 1911, 1kr 50o blue (cat. 40c) .17
1911, 2kr rose (cat. 30c) .... .13
1917, 40o green ..... .02
SWEDEN 1910, 20o blue, No. 75 ..... .06
1910, 25o orange. No. 76 .... .08
SWEDEN 1910, 5 krone claret on yellow, Nice copies of this good stamp, Cat. $1.50 each ..... .48
SWEDEN 1917, 1.98 on 5kr ..... .75
1917, 2.12 on 5kr ..... .75
SWEDEN 1917, 40o olive green ..... .05
1918, 7o on 10o red ..... .03
SWEDEN 1918, 12o on 25o orange ..... .05
1918, 12 on 65o green ..... .07
SWEDEN 1918, 12o carmine ..... .01
1918, 27 on 55o blue ..... .17
SWEDEN 1918, 27 on 65o green ..... .18
1918, 27 on 80o black ..... .20
SWEDEN 1918, 27o blue ..... .07
1919, 65o olive green ..... .25
SWEDEN 1919, 90o green ..... .12
Off. 1910, 1k yellow (35c) ... .13
SWEDEN 1910, 5 krone Off. Nice copies and a scarce stamp. Cat. $1.25 .49
SWEDEN 1910, 50o gray Off. ..... .07
1916, 20, 25. 30, 35, 50o Off... .15

UNITED STATES COLONIALS.

CANAL ZONE on U. S. 8c, 10c $1.65
1917, 24c brn. & black.. .25
HAWAII 2c, No. 202* (15c) ..... .05
4c, No. 203* ($1) ..... .33
HAWAII 5c, No. 204* (20c) ..... .07
2c, No. 214* (15c) ..... .05
PHILIPPINES 1864, 6 4-8c* (75c) ..... .27
1864, 12 4-8c* salmon (1.50) .48
PHILIPPINES 1864, 25c scarlet* (1.50).. .52
PHILIPPINES 1870, 10c green (50c) .... .19
PHILIPPINES 1880, No. 80* ($4) ..... .95
1909, 16c grn.No.256*($1) .39
PHILIPPINES 1906, 2p black ($2.50).. .78
1909, 2p violet, No. 260a.. .65
PHILIPPINES 1911, 4p blue, No. 273($1) .42
1911, 1p violet ..... .07
PHILIPPINES 1917, 16, 20c perf. 10 .. .10
Let's see your P. I. want list.

B. W. I. 20th

Most of these are used 20th which are usually many times scarcer than unused, and seldom to be had at any price. We offer superb copies where used and prices are based on cost. The cat. value means very little and most would be cheap at full list. Most of the higher values come unused.

ANTIGUA 1903, 1p red and black .... .07
1903, 3p ochre and green .. .55
BAHAMAS 1906, 2½p ultramarine ..... .12
1911, 6p bistre ..... .42
BARBADOS 1905, 1p red and black.. .04
1907, 1sh green, No. 27 .. .58
CAYMAN IS. 1907, 2½p blue, No. 23 .. .20
1907, 3p violet, No. 24 .. .22
CAYMAN IS. 1907, 6p violet, No. 26 .. .30
1907, 1sh green, No. 27 .. .58
CAYMAN IS. 1913, 3p violet, No. 43 .... .55
1913, 1sh green, No. 44 .. .58
DOMINICA 1907, 1p carmine & black No. 36 ..... .15
GRENADA 1906, 6p violet, No. 73 ..... 1.60
1911, 1sh green, No. 78 .... .60
GRENADA 1913, 2½p blue ..... .05
1913, 3p violet, No. 83 .... .10
GRENADA 1913, 3p violet, No. 89 .... .28
1913, 1sh green, No. 90 .... .58
JAMAICA 1906, 2sh violet on blue, A good stamp, No. 57 ..... .58
LEEWARDS 1890, ½, 1, 2½p ..... .09
1907, 2p gray, No. 39 .... .14
LEEWARDS 1907, 2½p blue, No. 40 .... .10
1907, 3p violet, No. 41 .... .20
LEEWARDS 1907, 6p violet, No. 42 .... .72
1907, 2sh 6d black and red 1.95
MONTSERRAT 1903, 1p red & blk.,No.13 .04
'03, 2½p blue & blk.,No.15 .28
ST. KITTS No. 2 or No. 13 each ..... .04
2½p blue, No. 17 ..... .06
ST. LUCIA 1904, 2½p vio. & blue, No. 52 .35
1904, 3p violet & yellow .... .58
ST. LUCIA 1904, 6p violet, No. 54 ..... .68
1907, 3p violet, No. 60 ..... .22
ST. LUCIA 1907, 6p, No. 61a 1.00
1907, 1sh green, No. 62 .... .72
ST. LUCIA 1913, 4p scarlet & black, white back. Good stamp .. .35
ST. VINCENT 1p red, No. 91 ..... .06
1907, 2p orange ..... .42
ST. VINCENT 1907, 2½ blue, No. 93 .... .58
1909, 1sh green, No. 97 .. .65
ST. VINCENT 1911, 2½p blue, No. 101 .. .15
1911, 3p violet, No. 102.. .22
ST. VINCENT 1911, 6p lilac, No. 103 .. .43
1913, 1sh green, No. 113.. .65
TRINIDAD 1902, 2½p violet, No. 87 .... .08
1904, 2½p violet, No. 93 .... .40
TRINIDAD 1909, 2½ blue, No. 107 ..... .30
Due, 1885, 4p black ..... .50
TRINIDAD Due, 1885, 5p black* ..... .70
Due, 1885, 1sh black ..... .75

OTHER BRITISH COLONIALS.

MOROCCO 2sh 6p brown, No. 1239 .. .58
1sh brown, No. 1249 ..... .19
6p violet, No. 1217 ..... .13
CANADA 1859, 5c beaver ..... .05
1882, 6c red brown ..... .08
CANADA 1882, 10c brown red ..... .20
1892, 8c* (1.50) ..... .58
CANADA 1897, 8c Jubilee* ..... .24
1912, 50c brown ..... .07
NOVA SCOTIA 1860, 5c blue ..... .37
NEWFOUNDLAND 1880, 1c vio. brown .13
1880, 5c blue ..... .19
NEWFOUNDLAND 1887, 5c dk. blue(75c) .32
1896, ½c orange red* .17
NEWFOUNDLAND 1897, Cabot 4c, 6c ea. .07
1897, 2c orange* ... .07
ANTIGUA 1903, 3p ochre & green* .. .40
BR. HONDURAS 1904, 25c violet & or., sup. lightly canc. cop. 1.10
BR. SOLOMON IS. 1907, ½p blue* a good stamp (50c) ..... .23
CAPE of G. H. 1855, 1p rose, average.. 3.25
1855, 4p blue, average .. 1.00
CAPE 1855, 6p lilac, average.. 3.75
1863, 1p lake, average .. 3.50
CAPE 1863, 4p blue, average.. 1.70
1863, 6p violet, average.. 5.90
E.AFR. & UGANDA 20r No.55,fiscal can. 1.75
GAMBIA 1904, 1p rose ..... .05
GOLD COAST 1913, 3p violet, No. 73.. .05
1913, 1sh green ..... .15
HELIGOLAND 1873, ½sch* O. K. ..... .35
1873, ½sch* ..... .15
HONG KONG 1862, 18c lilac ..... .75
1863, 2c, or 8c each ..... .15
HONG KONG 1863, 12c blue* ..... .25
HONG KONG 1863, 24c green ..... .25
HONG KONG 1863, 30c violet (cat. 50c) .15
1882, 10c green ..... .07
HONG KONG 1890, 30c green (cat. 50c) .15
1890, 20 on 30c ..... .08
HONG KONG 50 on 48c ..... .15
1 on 96c red ..... .50
JAMAICA 1885, 1p carmine* ..... .35
1883, 4p orange brown .... .08
JAMAICA 1906, 3p violet, No. 53* .40 .20
1912, 3p violet, No. 65 .15 .06
JAMAICA 1912, 4p red and black .12 .08
1912, 6p lilac and violet .24 .08
JAMAICA 1912, 3p violet, No. 69.. .20 .07
1916, War 3p, No. 302 .35 .15
MAURITIUS 1876, ½ on 10p, No. 46* good stamp (50c) ..... .22
NIGERIA 1914, 3p violet on yellow, No. 13* (25c) ..... .12
ST. HELENA 1889, 6p gray, No. 7 .... .23
1871, 1p, No. 28* ..... .95
ST. HELENA 1912, 4p red & blk.,No.71* 1.35
1912, 6p violet, No. 72* (Special) ..... .45
SARAWAK 1875, 2c lilac* ..... .18
1894, 6c violet* ..... .19
1894, 8c green* ..... .24
SEYCHELLES 1912, 1r50c blk. & rose, fine copies & scarce stp. .58
SEYCHELLES 1912, 2r25c vio. & green, fine used copies. A scarce stamp ..... .85
SO. AUSTRALIA 1876, 4p, No. 65 ..... .18
1880, 6p blue ..... .06
STRAITS 1868, 8c or 24c ..... .35
1907, 4 on 18c* (30c) ..... .13
STRAITS 1908, $1 red & blue ..... .35
1912, 10c, No. 161 (25c) ..... .09
STRAITS 1915, $5 red and green 1.25
Johore, No. 27* or 28* ..... .09
JOHORE 1896, 4c green and red ..... .08
1904, 50c lilac and red ..... .23
JOHORE 1904, $1 green and violet .... .48
1904, $2 red and green ..... .95
TRANSVAAL 1885, 1sh green ..... .06
1887, £5 green* 3.50
TRANSVAAL 2½ on 1sh, No. 145* (50c) .19
½p on 2p, No. 143* ..... .14
TRANSVAAL 1896. ½p to 2sh 6p* ..... .85
1904, 5sh vio. & blk.(75c) .29

LATE ARRIVALS.

ALBANIA 1919, 2, 5, 10, 25, 50c, 1fr Prov. issue said to be rare. Just out 3.75
DU. INDIES 1919, 17½ on 22c* ..... .20
"Java" 1gld ..... .18
SPAIN Off. Nos. 364 to 371* 2.50
Handsome set.
ECUADOR 1901, 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50c, 1s,5s* a pretty set (cat. $2.65) .. 1.10
ECUADOR 1909, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 20, 50c, 1s, 5s* Nos. 181-189, nice set, Cat. $3.05 ..... 1.38
CRETE Crete 1898, 20pa violet, No. 1*. A rare stamp cat. $20. ..... 9.00
DUTCH INDIES 1912, 1gld*(scarce) mint .88
1912, 2½gld* (scarce) mint 1.85

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SERBIA 1903, 5d brown & black ..... .62
1904, 5, 10, 15, 25, 50pa ..... .23
SERBIA 1904, 1, 3, 5d ($3.40) 1.65
1914, 5d violet* No. 131 ($3.50) 1.35
SIAM Nos. 137 to 140 ..... .12
2s on 14s, No. 143 ..... .07
SIAM 1912, 2b red and brown ..... .55
1912, 3b green and black ..... .95
SIAM 1912, 5b violet and black 1.75
1912, 10b green and brown 2.95
SPANISH Morocco 1902, 1pta lake .... .15
Guinea 1905, 75c* ..... .25
ELOBEY 1905, 25, 50, 75, 1, 2, 3p* 2.50
1908, 5 on 10c* ($1.50) ..... .49
FERNANDO PO 1879, 5c green* 1.20
1899, 15c green* ..... .23
FERNANDO PO 1900, 5, 10, 15, 20c* .... .28
1900, 40c brown* ..... .30
FERNANDO PO 1900, 60c green* ..... .45
1900, 80c blue* ..... .55
1900, 50 on 20c*, No. 88f 1.75
SWITZERLAND 1915, 3frs grn. (pict.) .07
1915, 80 on 70c ..... .09
TURKEY 1905, 10pi, No. 125 (50c) .... .19
1913, 100pi blue, No. 269* .. 5.75
VENEZUELA 1893, 10b violet ..... .22
1900, 3b brn., No. 149*(75c) .27
VENEZUELA 1900, 20b slate, No. 151 .. 1.35
1901, 3b brn.,No.163*(35c) .12
VENEZUELA 1901, 10b red, No.164*(50c) .17
1901, 20b vio.No.165*(75c) .27
VENEZUELA 1902, 50c red, No. 184* .. .78
1902, 50c red, No. 191* .. .40
VENEZUELA 1904, 10b violet*, No. 243 .40
1904, 3b blue*, (35c) .... .11

WAR ISSUES:

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RUSSIA	Money stamps, No. 142*	.10
SIAM	Money stamps, Nos. 143, 144*	.15
SIAM	Red Cross 1918 2s or 3s each*..	.15
SIAM	Red Cross 1b blue and black*..	1.50
SIAM	Red Cross 2b red & brown*	2.50
SIAM	Victory 3s, 5s*	.35
SAN MARINO	1917, 25c on 2c, No. 151*	.65
SAN MARINO	1918, 20 on 15c, No. 49*	.25
SAN MARINO	'18, Charity 2,5,10.20,25,45c*	.45
SAN MARINO	1918, Charity 11, 21, 31*	1.50
SAN MARINO	1919, Surcharged "3 Nov. 1918" 20, 25, 45c*	.75
SERVIA	1915, Peter on Battlefield 5, 10, 20p* handsome stamps	.50
SWITZERLAND	Peace Stamps, 7½, 10, 15c* three of the prettiest stamps of recent years	.12
SWITZERLAND	Industrial set 3, 5, 7½, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30c*. Mixed sets of the cheapest type	2.75
SWITZERLAND	Industrial set, same as above; but all the small rare type. Cat. about $60 in French Cat. ...	14.50
TURKEY	1917, 5 on 1pi, No. 547*	.15
	Armistice set, 4 values*	.95
OTHERS	Mosul, Bagdad, Ukraine, are shortly expected in stock. We have many others not offered here, and new arrivals coming all the time. Those who collect War stamps or 20th should keep in touch with us. We have and will have items few dealers will ever have.	

WAR APPROVAL BOOKS.

For those who do not have much of a line of these stamps we have made up some books of cheaper and medium priced items. Customers known to us or others who give some proof of responsibility can have selections sent to choose from. These books will change but will run about the same as listed.

No. 1A	European War Issues only, Austria to Hungary. Only issues of the older states $16.00
No. 1B	Same as above, but including higher priced items. Many sets .....$35 and up
No. 2A	European War Issues only, Hungary to Turkey. Many in sets $15.00
No. 2B	Same, but higher priced stamps, etc. A good lot of Roumania, etc. ..$25.00 and up
No. 3A	New Europe—Only countries that were born from War. Cheaper issues $8.00
No. 3B	New Europe—As above, but the scarcer values, etc. Many complete sets $25 and up
No. 4A	French Cols.—Red Cross issues mostly. A nice lot, & Red Cr. near cplt $10 and up
No. 5A	Italian Issues—Issues of Italian Occ. and Colonies only. Cheaper values ...$12.00
No. 5B	Same as above, but a better line Some very scarce stamps, Trent, Trieste, etc., etc. ..... $50 and up
No. 6A	BRITISH COLS. — Mostly War Tax and a nice line of the cheaper issues 8.00
SPECIAL	While the above books are classified and cover the run of War issues pretty close, we have some large books, really collections of these stamps, we will submit to those who wish to purchase $25 or more at a time. Their value runs from about $150. up, and we have made heavy sales from them. On account of the absence of catalogs, etc., these are very convenient for those who wish to see before buying. Special selections of wants, and rare items will be sent those who mean business. Prompt returns required as we are unable in many cases to obtain enough goods to meet our demands, and wish to hold as much unsold stock in hand as possible for orders.

War Stamps--Late Arrivals

Some important lots just in, too late for inclusion in the regular classification. We have others in too limited numbers to list.

FIUME	Pictorials 2, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 45, 50,60c,1cor* Pretty set	.95
FIUME	Pictorials, 2c to 10 corrone, complete*. We only have a few. 17 varieties	4.95
BAVARIAN	Republic (obsolete) "Volkstaadt" 3, 5, 7½, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 60, 80pf, 1M*	.95
BAVARIA	2, 3, 5, 10 Marks* same	4.50
	20M brown*	3.75
BAVARIA	1919, 35pf, 75pf*	.25
	1919, Charity 2 values	.18
BAVARIA	1916, Off., 5, 7½, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 60pf; 1917, 7½, 15pf	.38
YUGO SLAVIA	on Hungary, 30 vars.* adv. by English dealers at $30 a set	8.75
YUGO SLAVIA	Charity on Bosnia* ..	.25
	on Hungary 10 krona*	5.90
UKRAINE	on Austria, 3, 5, 6, 10, 12h*	.50
UKRAINE	on Russia, 1r perf.*	.95
	on Austria 3, 5, 6, 10, 12, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 60, 80, 90h, 1, 2, 3, 4, 10k* complete 19.75	
	on Russia, 3½r imp.	2.50
WURTEMBERG REP.	22 vars. cplt. on old Wurt'berg Offs.*	1.15
BOSNIA	10, 15, 40c* Karlfonds	.40
	10, 15, 40c* Sarajevo	.35
BOSNIA	Nos. 241, 242	.20
	Prov. 2h, 2 var. 1918*	.38
DUTCH INDIES	Red Cross, 5 on 1c, 5 on 5c, 5 on 10c	.48
SERBIA	on Bosnia 1916, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 12, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 60, 72h, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10k, Nos. 401 to 421*, complete set 10.00	
	Above set used	9.00
POLAND	German Warsaw, overprinted with violet eagle, scarce set	7.50
POLAND	Surch. "Levant", 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 50f, 1, 1½, 2, 2½, 5M*..	2.75
AUSTRIA	1916, 3k violet	.22
	1916, 4k green	.40
ESTHONIA	1919, 35k, 1M*, two new values	.30
HUNGARY	1919, Carl & Zita, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40, 50f*, pretty set	.50
JUGO SLAVIA	on Hungary. Complete set of 40 vars. Several values very scarce* 68.00	

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RUSSIAN	China 1904, 20k blue & red		.13
	China '10, 70k brn.&or.,No.444		.35
RUSSIAN	" '10, $1 on 1r,No.463($1.50)		.48
			.73

SALVADOR (Some Good Ones)

1889,	5c blue, No. 36*	2.00	.48
1896,	15 on 24c* violet	2.50	.88
	13 on 50c*, No. 173	.30	.12
1900,	100c violet, No. 223	1.25	.45
	Nos. 213a, 214a, 215a, 216a, ea. ..		2.50
	50c rose, No. 269*	1.00	.39
	No. 270, double sur.*	..	.40
1905,	1c green, No. 299*	..	.95
	10c blue, No. 304*	3.00	1.10
	1c green, No. 305*	..	1.10
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KING ALBERT AND HIS HELMET

The design of the new "Liberation" Stamps of Belgium, portraying King Albert wearing the active service *casque* of the Belgian Army is the work of a Brussels artist, M. Jean de Bast, who during the German occupation rendered invaluable assistance to the allied secret service by the preparation of fac-simile passports and cards of identity, executed with such ingenuity as to completely deceive the German military authorities. He also undertook at great personal risk the illustration of a clandestine journal, *L' Ame Belge,* even venturing so far as to introduce his own initials into the different designs.

By a regrettable oversight the heroic city of Liége was not included amongst those represented upon the pictorial stamps issued at Havre in 1915 as a memorial to the devastated glories of Belgium. This omission has now been rectified by the issue on July 21st of a 25 centimes stamp representing the "Perron Liégeois." At present this stamp is only sold at post offices in Liége itself, but in due course it will be taken into general use.

Apropos of the reference to an impending issue of Rhineland occupation stamps by the Belgian Government, it appears that certain values of the current Belgian series have already appeared overprinted with the town names of Malmedy and Eupen in the district of Aix-la-Chapelle, just across the frontier.—*West End Philatelist.*

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Our review of its postal history comes mostly under the Spanish rule preceding its successful revolt against oppression and exploitation for the benefit of the Spaniards alone. The first stamp issue was in 1855, when the Spanish government prepared a single colonial set of three stamps for use in Cuba, Puerto Rico and the Philippines. This was identical in design with the Spanish issue of that year and printed upon the same blue paper with watermark of a chain of loops. The distinguishing features of the two issues were the colors and values. The colonial issue was expressed in "reales plata fuerte," or coined silver *reales* rather than paper money, the value of this *real* being 12½ cents American. The ½r stamp was not used in the Philippines, and the 1 and 2r used in the three colonies can only be distinguished when bearing a legible postmark. The usual cancellation of an oval filled with network was common to the three colonies and stamps bearing this can, of course, only be properly placed when on a cover showing the place of mailing. Thus the first issue of Cuba has to be "certified," so to speak, by a proper postmark or accompanying cover if the collector be over particular; if not, he cannot be sure his stamp was not bought or used elsewhere. This issue was announced for January 1, 1855, but was delayed until about the first of May, because of difficulty in getting the watermarked paper at the National Stamp Factory in Madrid, where the stamps were made.

The next issue, the 2r stamp bearing the surcharge "Y¼," has been the source of countless arguments for years. It was created for temporary use on the establishment of a local rate of ¼r for the delivery of city mail within the limits of Havana. The stumbling block has been the letter "Y", which in Spanish can be either the conjunction "and" or the initial of "Ynterior" meaning "interior, internal, local." To those who read it "and" the stamp was of course a "2¼r" value. But a letter from the Director of Posts to the Governor, stating that all arrangements had been made for the local postal service, asked permission to print "200,000 of the stamps at present intended to serve for the franking of correspondence, using those of the kind that is least required, and printing upon them a letter Y and ¼, as it is necessary to create stamps for the prepayment of postage for the letters and packets to be circulated in this manner, with an expressed value of one cuartillo." The regulations permitted the mailing of letters and packets irrespective of weight, provided they bore a stamp of ¼ real (one cuartillo). There is, therefore, no doubt from the rate and the quotation that the surcharged stamp is a ¼ real stamp and the "Y" does not mean "and"; besides, there was never any 2¼r rate. As an initial, therefore, the "Y" is undoubtedly for "Ynterior," its use in this manner for "I" being an old Spanish custom, particularly in documents and with proper names.

The stamps were issued November 19, 1855. They were surcharged in sheets of 100, though the 2r stamps were printed in sheets of 170, ten rows of seventeen, and there are practically 100 minor varieties, due to types, length of bar and spacing. But the main varieties occur in the letter Y, one of which is considerably narrower than the other. The number of each type per sheet is unknown, but they are supposed to have been in the ratio of four or five narrow ones to one of the wider form.

The stamps with the "loops" watermark having been imitated in Spain, a new yellowish paper with a watermark of crossed lines was adopted, and the Colonial issue appeared on this in Cuba about September, 1856. But this paper was soon discarded for unwatermarked white wove, and as the consignment of the former was evidenly not large, we find the stamps on the latter paper appearing early in 1857.

A new lot of ¼r surcharged stamps was required and printed about the beginning of 1858, to the number of 100,000. They were made from the new stock of 2r stamps on unwatermarked paper and have a uniform letter "Y" differing slightly from the previous two. There are minor variations in each of the one hundred settings as before. A further supply of 100,000 of these surcharges was printed early in 1860, thus making a total of 200,000 as in the 1855 issue. But finally, in 1862, a permanent ¼r stamp was prepared at Madrid in the design of the Spanish issue of 1860, and this was issued in Havana toward the end of 1862.

On January 1, 1864, all previous issues became obsolete and a new set in one design, corresponding to the new Spanish stamps of the same date, was put in use and continued for two years. Meanwhile, the currency had been changed from *reales* and *pesos* to the decimal system of 100 *centimos* to an *escudo*. As the *escudo* equalled four *reales*, the equivalents of the previous stamps would have been respectively 50, 25, 12½ and 6¼ *centimos* for the 2, 1, ½ and ¼ *reales*. A slight benefit of reduction apparently took place, for we find the new stamps issued on January 1, 1866, are respectively 40, 20, 10 and 5 *centimos*. The design was unchanged from the previous one, but the new denominations and the date "1866" were inserted in the lower label of the stamp. The 5c stamps for the local city postage became exhausted before the end of the year and recourse was had to remainders of the 1864 issue of ¼r stamps, which were surcharged with the figures "66" (1866) to render them "habilitado" or "usable" for the remainder of the year. The surcharge was issued in November.

On January 1, 1867, a new issue of the same four values, in the same design and colors, with only the change of date from 1866 to 1867, appeared. Again, on January 1, 1868, another new issue in the usual four values but in a new and special design appeared. These stamps were headed "Ultramar" or "Overseas," the first time any reference to the Colonies or outlying possessions appears. They were restricted to Cuba and Puerto Rico, however, and were not used in the Philippines. The same design was adapted to Fernando Po, but this had the name on the stamp. The corners of the design had the four letters C O R R, standing for "CORREOS" or "postage," and the value label bore the date "1868." The 10c and 20c were bisected and used for half values.

In September, 1868, a revolution in Spain drove Queen Isabella from the throne and a Republican government was installed. Before Republican stamps were issued the previous royalist issues were surcharged "Habilitado por la Nacion" and handstamps were sent to Cuba for this purpose. There is some question as to whether the Cuban stamps were actually put in circulation with this surcharge or whether such used copies as are known were not cancelled "par complaisance." If issued they probably appeared about December, 1868. It is stated that they were unknown until 1872 in the philatelic world, at any rate.

In spite of the somewhat abrupt dismissal of Queen Isabella in 1868 a new issue for the Colonies bearing her portrait appeared on January 1, 1869, and these were issued both with and without the "Habilitado" overprint, the majority being without. They were like the 1868 issue with the date changed to "1869." The 10c and 20c stamps were again bisected and used for half values. On February 1, 1870, the Republican issue for the Colonies appeared. It copied the Spanish design, but the heading was "correos" instead of "communicaciones" and the date "1870" appears. The same four values were employed and the 10c and 20c were split and used for half values as before. Although withdrawn on January 31, 1871, the 10c was reissued on November 21, 1873, to fill a need for that value, and the 10c and 20c on June 27, 1874, for the same purpose, but the can only be told by the postmark. May 5, 1870, a decree prohibited the use of split stamps unless authorized.

On February 1, 1871, another new issue in a special design, representing a seated female with olive branch leaning on the arms of Spain, appeared for Cuba and Puerto Rico, with the heading "Ultramar 1871." In this issue we have another change of currency to the *peso* of 100 *centimos*, five *pesetas* being equal to a dollar. The four values of 12, 25 and 50 *centimos* and 1 *peseta* therefore represent 2½, 5, 10 and 20 cents American. In spite of the prohibition we find the 25c cut in half and used for the 12½ value.

The "restoration" having put King Amadeus on the throne of Spain December 4, 1870, it was natural to look for a change in the Colonial stamps, but a set bearing his portrait did not appear until February 1, 1873, and eleven days later he resigned his authority! The new set bore the inscription "Ultramar Ano 1873," and the lowest value appeared as 12½c instead of 12c. The 50c is known imperforate, and the 25c and 1p were bisected and used for half values. It was this set that was first overprinted with the "paraphe" or flourish that was to be used only in Puerto Rico in consequence of speculators buying stamps in one island and selling in the other to make a profit on the difference in value of the currency in the two colonies. The Puerto Rico overprints were issued on July 15, 1873, and for the next four years the "Ultramar" stamps used without overprint were employed in Cuba only.—*N. E. Stamp Monthly.*

GERMANY'S NEW STAMPS.

Several readers have been good enough to send us descriptions and reproductions of the designs for new German postage stamps, recently approved by the National Assembly at Weimar. If these are to be taken as a criterion, the standard of art in Germany has deteriorated. More than four thousand drawings were submitted, mainly on Cubist and Futurist lines, and twenty-eight were selected as suitable for reproduction. As artistic efforts they are, for the most part, crude in the extreme, so much so that in some cases it is difficult to recognize what they are intended to represent. All are of an allegorical nature, and represent the re-birth of the German nation. As in the case of the French postage stamps of 1870, an attempt has evidently been made to secure designs of non-political and non-controversial nature for the first stamps of the German Republic.

The subjects of the three winning designs, for each of which 2,000 marks was awarded, were: 10 pfennigs, an oak tree sprouting with young shoots (by Hugo Frank, of Stuttgart), 15 pfennigs, a similar subject (by Ernest Bohm, of Charlottenburg); and 25 pfennigs, a bas-relief on the ancient Egyptian style, depicting a young mason bearing bricks on a tray and with a trowel beside him (by Georges Mathey, of Berlin). Another approved design shows a Phoenix arising from the ashes. These stamps, which are uniformly inscribed "Deutsch National Versammlung, 1919," will shortly replace "the horrid-looking design of Germania," whose militarist aspect was condemned by the Reichstag as far back as June, 1918.

A correspondent of the *Times*, in that prophetic vein so beloved of certain philatelic journalists, says "there is likely to be a separate issue for the new Rhineland State, but what will be done in the case of Bavaria and Wurtemberg, who have throughout retained the right to issue their own postage stamps, is not yet apparent. At present two separate series are current in Bavaria, under the Red Republic, the first comprising stamps with the portrait of the ex-Regent overprinted 'Volkstaat Bayern' in two lines of Gothic type, and the second the Germania type of the German Empire, with the imprint 'Friestaat Bayern' in two lines."—*Stamp Collecting.*

THE NEW POLISH STAMPS.

(This article reprinted from the London Telegraph is by F. J. Melville and shows the kind of publicity work that the energetic head of the Junior Philatelic Society is doing in behalf of philately. There never was a time when newspaper editors were so hungry for philatelic matter as now. It is up to you to do what you can locally.—W. O. W.)

In the few months that have elapsed since the armistice, the Polish postal authorities have indulged in an orgy of provisional stamp issues. These stamps have reflected the unsettled conditions prevailing throughout the country, and are teaching collectors more of the geography of Poland than they learned from news telegrams during the war.

From widely different parts of the country temporary stamps have been issued, generally created by overprinting former Russian, German and Austrian stamps, which have been commandeered and converted into Polish stamps.

Such issues are somewhat embarrassing to the collector, for they have to distinguish between the German Warsaw stamps, overprinted "Polish Posts" (*"Poczta Polska,"* or *"Polska Poczta"*), at such widely distant points as Warsaw, Plonsk, Brzoziny, Sieradz, Grodzisk, Otwock, Kalisz, Wlocawek, Ostroleka, Ostrow, Lencyca.

The Austrian stamps have been similarly overprinted in the South, notably at Lublin and Mylsinece.

Early in the present year stamps of a definitive design were issued, but these

The New Polish 15-Fennig postage Stamp, Bearing the Portrait of Paderewski.

also have proved to be of a temporary character. A unique feature of this issue was its occurrence in two distinct currencies, one in fennig and marks, for use in the former Russian Poland, which has lately been under German domination, and the other in *heller* and *korona*, which has been current in South Poland, where the Austrians have held sway.

I have received the new issue, which is said to be a combined issue for the whole of Poland. So far there are six denominations to hand, three bearing different representations of the Polish eagle, and the other three portray the leaders of the new government. On the 15-*fennig* is a profile of M. Paderewski, president of the council of ministers; on the 20-*fennig* is M. Trompczynski, president of the parliament, and on the 25-*fennig* M. Pilsudski, president of the Polish republic. The portrait of M. Paderewski is a pleasing addition to the postage stamp portrait gallery.

The photograph from which the above halftone was made was kindly loaned by the *Public Ledger* of Philadelphia.

CURRENT CHATTER.

MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS, an old favourite, contains a varied assortment of advertisements. I cannot, and never could understand why American dealers can afford to pay the huge advertisement rates they do and yet advertise 10c and 25c lots. I notice that Stanley Gibbons, Inc., advertise a packet of 1,000 varieties of Hayti. In the near future I suppose we shall have printed albums for every country. Would that we could go back to the old days when a Haytian stamp was a *rarity*, but those days have gone forever, so why repine, but still I do not like to think of the collector of the future exhibiting his collection of Hayti, and having to dispatch his albums by goods train.

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Quoting a dealer, M. W. S. N. says: "I notice that you are trying to correct conditions that allow of improvement in philately and I wish you all success in your mission. I have long been of the opinion that there has been too much jealousy in the trade and bickering among collectors and small stuff of the kind and I have tried as best I could to help matters."

I guess that now some of the smaller stuff will start another bicker.

American dealers have evidently the same difficulty in catering for the "small stuff" as do their European brethren. I notice that one firm in Ohio advertises 100 different French Colonials for 70c, while in the same column an opposition Ohio concern boosts 75 varieties for 1.25c. How happy could I be with either.

As readers know, the advertisement columns of any paper will always afford me amusement; the other day, in one of the leading dailies, I think the *Times*, I saw somebody offering a Hawker Newfoundland stamp—best offer over £100 securing it!

Just my rotten luck to have only £99 in the bank.

I like every month to give my readers at the end of my allotted space, a real good philatelic tip, I feel they deserve it after wading through two columns of C. C. This month I recommend the first two issues of Mauritius as being worth hanging on to.

Finishing a sentence, with a what-do-you-call-it, reminds me that a nice little V.A.D. once finished a sentence with *three* thing a m'jigs as follows:—

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A PHILATELIC DICTIONARY.

By BERTRAM W. H. POOLE.

(Continued from page 324.)

STAMPALIA.—One of the Aegean islands which has been supplied with special stamps by the Italian government since 1913.

STAMP ALBUMS.—(See Album.)

STAMP BOOKLETS.—Many countries now issue their low value stamps in the shape of small booklets for the convenience of people wishing to carry stamps with them. As a rule these books consist of a few sheets or leaves of six or eight stamps, separated by grease proof paper to prevent their sticking together, the whole being bound in thin card covers.

STAMP DUTY. — An inscription found upon various fiscal stamps or overprinted or engraved on postage stamps to denote their use for fiscal as well as postal purposes.

STAMP MONEY.—(See Encased Postage Stamps and Currency Stamps.)

STAMP MOUNTS.—(or **hinges**).—(See Mounts.)

STAR WATERMARK.—A watermark shown in the stamps of many British colonies, either alone or in conjunction with certain letters; those of New Zealand, for instance, watermarked with the letters "NZ" over a star.

STAR AND CRESCENT.—A watermarked device shown in many of the stamps of Egypt and the Sudan.

II. A device forming an important part of the design of many of the stamps of Turkey.

STATE.—An inscription shown on the official stamps of the United States issued in 1873 which were appropriated to the special use of the department of State.

STATE SECURITY.—An inscription shown on the special Life Insurance Department stamps of New Zealand.

STATIONERY.—From a philatelic point of view, "stationery" embraces all stamped envelopes, postcards, wrappers, etc., issued officially and sold at a post office.

STATI PARM. — An inscription shown on the 1852-4 stamps of Parma, the second word being an abbreviation for "Parmensi".

STATI PARMENSI.—The inscription shown on the stamps of Parma, issued by the provisional government and meaning "State of Parma".

STEEL ENGRAVING.—(See Line-engraving.)

STEINMEYER'S POST.—A semi-official postal service organised in Charleston in 1858-59 which delivered letters in the district served by the local post office on payment of a special fee of 2c.

STEINMEYER'S CITY POST.—The inscription shown on the stamps issued in connection with Steinmeyer's Post.

STELLA CLAVISQUE MAVIS INDICI.—The motto shown on the Jubilee stamps issued in Mauritius in 1898 meaning "The Star and Key of the Indian Ocean".

STELLALAND.—A short-lived South African republic formed in 1882 by a number of Boer adventurers. Postage stamps were issued on Feb. 1st, 1884, but they were in use a very short time, for in 1885 the territory was incorporated by the British government with Bechuanaland.

STEMPEL.—A word shown on some of the newspaper stamps of Austria which means "stamp".

STEREOTYPE.—A reproduction of the original design made by means of a papier-maché or other mould in type-metal. (See also Electrotyped).

S. THOME E PRINCIPE.—The Portuguese rendering of St. Thomas and Prince as shown upon the stamps of that colony.

STOCKHOLM.—The capital of Sweden for which, in 1856 and 1862, special stamps were issued by the government for payment of the postal charges for the delivery of local, or drop letters within the precincts of the city.

STOTINKI.—The value shown upon most of the stamps of Bulgaria. There are 100 stotinki in the leva and 5 stotinki are worth about 1c in American money.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—A British colony in the East Indies consisting of Settlements on the Malay Peninsula, Cocos Is., and Labuan. Postage stamps were first issued in 1867.

STRIP.—A single row of three or more stamps joined together either vertically or horizontally.

S. U.—An overprint, sometimes in conjunction with a crescent and star, found upon certain stamps of the Straits Settlements and India issued for use in Sungei Ujong.

SUCRE.—The unit of value in Ecuador. A sucre is divided into 100 centavos and has a value of about 48c in American money.

SUDAN.—A British protectorate in Africa, between Egypt and Uganda. Postage stamps were first issued on March 1st, 1897.

SULPHURETTED. — Changed in color by the action of fumes of sulphur; not infrequently seen in the case of stamps printed in vermilion or some other color containing any form of mercury. These stamps are liable to turn brown or black, and such specimens used to be erroneously termed oxidised.

SUEZ CANAL COMPANY.—During the construction of the Suez Canal, and just prior to its completion, the Company undertaking the work made use of four stamps for the conveyance of letters written to or by those engaged upon the undertaking between the different towns or stations along the Canal; previously the Company had carried postal matter of this kind without charge. These stamps were issued in July, 1868, and are believed to have remained current for about five weeks; their use was then discontinued at the instance of the Egyptian government. The stamps are inscribed "Canal Maritime de Suez" and show a steamer as the central design.

SULTANAT D'ANJOUAN.—The inscription shown on the stamps of the French colony of Anjouan.

SUN WATERMARK.—A watermark shown in most of the stamps of the Argentine republic issued since 1892.

SUNAR.—A variation of the spelling "sanar" shown on certain Afghanistan stamps issued since 1874.

SUNGEI UJONG.—One of the native dependent states of the Straits Settlements. Postage stamps were first issued in 1878 and when the special issues became obsolete in 1895, the stamps of Negri Sembilan were used. These, in turn, were superseded in 1900 by the stamps issued for the whole of the Federated Malay States.

SUOMI.—The Swedish name for Finland shown upon the 1890 issue of stamps for that country and again resuscitated in 1918 when the first stamps for the new kingdom appeared.

SURCHARGE.—Used by collectors in the sense of overprint but usually as meaning an overprint which confirms or alters the value or designation of value of the stamp. (See also overprint).

SURCHARGE POSTAGE.—An overprint found on certain stamps of Grenada intended for use as postage due labels. The word "surcharge" is very generally used by Post Office Departments as indicating the extra or over charge due on unpaid or insufficiently prepaid mail, so that its appropriateness in this particular instance is obvious.

SURFACE COLORED PAPER.—Paper colored on one side only (the face) previous to having a postage stamp design printed on it.

SURFACED PAPER.—(See Chalk-surfaced paper.)

SURFACE PRINTING.—(See Typography.)

SURINAM.—A Dutch possession in Guiana. Postage stamps were first issued in 1873.

SURINAME.—The Dutch equivalent for Surinam as shown upon all the stamps of that colony.

SUSCIPERE ET FINIRE. — The motto shown upon the early stamps of Hanover meaning "To undertake and to finish".

SUSSE PERFORATIONS.—An unofficial perforation found on certain French stamps issued in 1861. These stamps were perforated by Messrs. Susse Bros., a firm of stationers in Paris, by a machine invented by them. They perforated stamps for customers without charge, contenting themselves with the discount of 2% allowed by the Government to vendors of stamps. This perforation made very large holes with a gauge of about 7.

SVERIGE.—The Swedish rendering of Sweden as shown upon all the stamps of that country.

SWAN RIVER SETTLEMENT.—An old name for Western Australia, sometimes found in old albums and stamp catalogues.

SWAZIELAND.—A South African native state now included in the Transvaal. From Oct. 18th, 1889, until Nov. 7th, 1895 it used postage stamps of its own.

(To be continued.)

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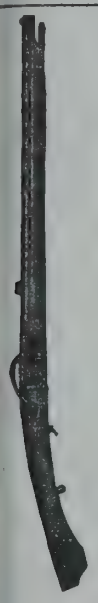

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By J. F. RITTER.

The old saying that "Satan finds mischief for idle hands to do," reminds me of a recently reported conversation between the Arch Fiend and Kaiser Wilhelm. "That saying about 'idle hands'," observed the devil moodily, "does not apply to people who collect stamps. The fools who stick pieces of colored paper in books are never idle. They merely look up when I appear, and tell me to go to—well, to go home. It's sickening!"

Now as the Kaiser created Bolshevism and the Evil One created the Kaiser, the conclusion follows that Philately and Bolshevism are antagonistic terms, hence we have in the former a true antidote for the latter.

Why not? Bolshevism is a thing of violence, a thing without order and sequence. Consequently, no true Philatelist could accept its doctrines.

Could you, for example, imagine a collector of British Colonials casting a vile, acid-vomiting bomb against a building which, for all that he knows to the contrary, may have within its walls trunks containing letters decorated with rare and priceless stamps?

Could a "Condition Crank" calmly insert a knife between the ribs of an unresisting diplomat while realizing that the gentleman's pocket may contain envelopes adorned with war and reconstruction stamps? Even a child would realize that blood ruins and disfigures good stamps.

Could a specialist in U. S. issues deliberately and with malice aforethought, wedge a crowbar beneath the foundations of a Government building heedless of the fact that by so doing he may be loosening the bolts and rivets of a perforating machine? Would he do aught to make the centering of U. S. issues worse than it is at present?

Again, your true Philatelist must, in the very nature of things, be an optimist. Argue with him as you will that the rare Mauritius, for instance, will never grace the pages of his album; he will close his eyes and dream of packets of musty letters in the trunk in Grandfather's attic. And if he should not be the fortunate possessor of a living grandparent, he would not strain at adopting one.

No, say what you will, Philately and Bolshevism are opposite terms; when one enters at the door, the other goes out at the window. Your Philatelist may wear goggle glasses, he may droop in one shoulder from the habit of carrying about a stamp album, he may even be late in coming to meals on rainy days—all these things may be said of him and more, but the fact remains that he is a being of order and a foe to violence, and the chances are always that he has been so from his youth up.

WHERE IS CHRISTMAS ID.?

(Chas. S. Thompson sends us a specimen of this label. We shall know more about this queer article later. Mr. Thompson's description cannot be improved upon.—W. O. W.)

A new label, alleged to be a postage stamp, has just come to hand. It is alleged to emanate from Christmas Island, and bears that inscription at bottom. In addition, it is inscribed "Central Pacific Cocoanut Plantations, Ltd. Mail Boat Service" and each corner bears the figure 5. The printing has evidently been done by the three-color process, judging by the multiplicity of colors which the stamp shows. The design is pleasing, and shows a two-masted schooner, and setting sun; and palm trees on a coral islet, while a red-tailed tropic-bird (*Phaëthon rubricauda*) appears in the foreground. In size the stamp is 24.5 x 37 mm., and is perforated about 13. The figures of value in corners are orange-red, but the stamp itself can only be described as "chromatic", for it is a shattered rainbow of color.

SOME FIRSTS IN "POSTS".

By LOWELL J. RAGATZ.

The following paragraphs from "Ein Buch fuer die Wundrichen", written by Adolph Zimmermann, and published in two volumes by Raimund Schillig of Berlin in 1889, may prove of interest to some of your readers as they did to me. I have translated them, following the original closely:—

"The first letter posts were established in the cities of the Hanseatic League early in the thirteenth century. A chain of letter posts followed, connecting Austria with Lombardy, in the reign of Emporer Maximilian, which history says were organized by the princes of Thurn and Taxis. Representatives of the same house established another chain of offices from Vienna to Brussels, which was the most distant part of the domains of Charles V. This family continues to hold to this day certain rights with our imperial postal system, their posts being entirely distinct from those established by the crown and, as it were, in some measure in rivalry with them.

"In England, in early times, public letters were sent by messengers, who, in the reign of Henry III, wore royal livery. These couriers had to provide themselves with horses until the reign of Edward I, when posts were established where horses were to be had for hire. Edward IV, when engaged in war with Scotland, had dispatches conveyed to his camp with great speed by means of a system of relay of horses, which, however, fell into disuse on the restoration of peace.

"Camden mentions the office of 'master of the posts' as existing in England in 1581, but the duties of that officer were probably connected exclusively with the supply of post horses. The posts at first were meant for the conveyance of government dispatches alone, but soon permission was extended to private persons to make use of them.

"A foreign post for the conveyance of letters between London and the continent seems to have been established by foreign merchants in the fifteenth century, and certain disputes which arose with the Flemish and the Italians regarding the right of appointing a postmaster were referred to the privy council. This led to the institution of a 'chief postmaster', who should have charge of both the English and outgoing and incoming foreign mail.

"The American postoffice was one of the earliest institutions in the new world, being provided for by legislation in the charter colony of Massachusetts in 1639 and in the royal colony of Virginia in 1657. A monthly post between New York and Boston (in Massachusetts) was established in 1672." (Bd. 1, seiten 15 und 16)

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Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

Note!

Mr. Smith, the editor of the foreign issues chronicle, is out on home guard duty and is located at the Armory in Charlestown, Boston. It will be three weeks before he can resume his stampic activities.

THE MANAGING EDITOR.

UNITED STATES.—Mr. F. W. Armstrong writes to inform us that the lower left hand pane of the 1c from plate No. 9987 has had the plate number recut. In other words, he advises that he has two panes, one showing the number normal and the other recut. He does not mention as to how the figures are recut, but we might state that this is the first time to our knowledge where impressions have been issued from the plate and later more impressions after a recutting.

Mr. P. M. Mann has shown us two sheets of the 1c surface print perforated 11 unwatermarked printed in a very light, washed out green shade. These are without doubt printed from an uninked roller. It will be recalled that similar varieties occur in the case of the 3c printed by the same method.

Mr. A. S. Davenport sends for our inspection copies of several denominations of the current Documentary stamps with a manuscript "F.D." surcharged, used in New York. While these will hardly be given formal recognition, nevertheless, they were used in paying "Future Delivery" tax and are of interest as such. He has seen the 1c, 2c, 4c, 10c, 40c, 50c, $1.00 and $2.00 so surcharged.

The same gentleman has also shown us a copy of the $3.00 Documentary series of 1914 in a very peculiar shade of purplish blue. It differs so greatly from the normal that it may almost be classified as a new variety.

We have recently learned that Peoria, Ill., and Newark, N. J., issued Provisional "Narcotic" revenues and we hope to present further details regarding these issues in our next number. Dr. L. A. Thompson informs us that the Boston Collector of Internal Revenue did not issue a provisional series, as those with the Bureau overprint arrived in ample time to meet their demands.

After much correspondence and many personal inquiries your Editor has at last gotten together a most complete list of the Playing Card Revenues issued under the Act of 1917, which Act carried the 7c rate. This detailed list will be presented in our next issue and we sincerely hope that if any of our readers are in a position to add to it that they will advise us promptly. We will follow this list with one showing the varieties which we have located used, under the Act of 1919. This is not quite as complete as the former, due to the fact that these varieties have been out but a few months and we have not as yet been so fortunate as to locate all of them. It will also give us great pleasure to chronicle at an early date, in one list, all of the provisional "Narcotics" known today. We well realize that there are some few cities that issued these stamps unknown to ourselves, and if any of our readers have any data on varieties which we have not chronicled we will consider it a favor if so advised.

We wish to thank Messrs. E. H Draper, George Soulman, as well as the Gray Stamp Company, for additional notes of interest.

BERMUDA.—J. A. Galbraith has shown us a specimen of the new 4d carmine on yellow, ship type.

CYDONIA.—Another new name for the stamp album. This time the Greeks are the guilty persons. They have been entrusted with the administration of the territory, formerly Turkish, known as the Sandjak of Karassi, on the west coast of Asia Minor, opposite the island of Mytilene.

One of their first acts has been to signalize their occupation of the territory by issuing a series of provisional stamps for Aivaly, or Cydonia, which is in the villayet of Hondavendighiar, in the Sandjak of Karassi.

Now there is no Cydonia on our atlas. There is, of course, Sidon (modern Saida), the ancient seaport of the Phoenicians which figures in Biblical history and which is twenty-five miles south of Beyrout, Syria. But this is not *Cydonie* of the Greek occupation. According to M. Champion, Cydonia has thirty thousand inhabitants, so that it is a fairly important town, and our informant states that 4,000 copies of various Turkish stamps, discovered in the post office, have been overprinted with the words "Occupation Grecque Cydonie."

The issue in question comprises three denominations, viz., 10, 20 paras, 1pi 50 paras.—*Stamp Collecting.*

ESTHONIA.—In addition to the 5 penni stamps of the "seagull" type, there is also one of 35 penni, in the same design and inscription, in blue. Messrs. Whitfield King & Co. believe these are a commemorative issue, but have been unable to learn exactly what event they commemorate. It has been determined, however, that the reason for their being on sale for only a very short time was not that they were intentionally withdrawn, but that they were a strictly limited commemorative issue and very quickly sold out.

From Mr. Th. Allard we learn that a few—*one thousand* copies, to be exact—of the Russian Arms stamps have been overprinted with the words EESTI POST for use in Esthonia.—*Stamp Collecting.*

FRANCE.—Mr. W. T. Wilson kindly shows us a copy of the current 15c value, *imperforate*, which was actually issued thus. Mr. Wilson says that the sheet of 15c was on the "GC" paper and had the *millésime* 8. It must not be confused with the so-called imperforate current type of French stamps which were stolen from the printers some time back.—*Stamp Collecting.*

JAPAN.—In addition to the new set of peace stamps four values have been issued in the designs of the current set to supplement the thirteen values already in use. Our esteemed correspondent, R. Yokohori, informs us that the parcel post rates were slightly increased April 15 and it was necessary in consequence to issue some new values for this service. Mr. Yokohori states that there were difficulties in the selection of colors, but the outcome is as follows: 6s brown, 8s gray, 30s ochre, 50s dark brown. The 6 and 8 are in the design of the current 4s, while the 30 and 50 are like the current 1y stamp. Our correspondent cannot state whether these new values have been surcharged for use at the Japanese post offices in China, but he presumes that this will be done. We are indebted to Theodore Siddall and T. Maki for information.

KERMANSHAH.—The regular 1Kr Persian stamp, issue of 1911, has been surcharged 12 and 14 Chahis provisionally. These were issued during the Turkish Occupation and only 2,000 copies of each were printed.—*Economist Bulletin.*

PERU.—We take the following from the *Madrid Filatélico*: "Mr. Manuel Buenano sends us the stamps lately issued in this country; they are really a second printing of the original stamps, for they only present a very small difference in the shades. The 1 centavo, which used to be orange and blue, is now orange and black; the 2c was green and black and it is now green, yellow, and black; the 4c is carmine instead of rose-pink, keeping its black centre; while the 50c, which was dark violet and black, is now violet and black."—*Stamp Collecting.*

SWEDEN.—On January 1st next the Swedish Post Office will take over the production of its stamps, and a complete new set will be issued in three different designs, one with a portrait of King Oscar, one shewing a posthorn and crown, and the third with a lion.—*Whitfield King & Co.'s List.*

WURTEMBERG.—Current officials of both types have been surcharged VOLKSSTAAT at the top and WURTEMBURG at the bottom. All told 10 values, 2½pfg to 50pfg of Scott type "O1" and 11 values type O2, 2½pfg to 1 mark, all on watermarked paper.

A new 35pfg value official stamp has been issued in both types as Scott's O1 and O2. The 2½pfg same type has been surcharged with a large figüre 2 in purple. We have not seen this same stamp unsurcharged. All of the above are on watermarked paper.—*Economist Bulletin.*

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Of course, we don't usually tell where we get our decisions, for often it's so much more difficult to find the facts in the other fellow's book than it would be to write the book ourselves that after the alleged facts are located we feel entitled to all the credit. This arrangement may not seem entirely fair but just so long as this dept. continues to be outrageously profitable, we shall not let any question of fairness interfere with our happiness. So fire away, fellows, and ask us the hard ones.

Philimericks.

There was an old stamp of Kentucky,
On a letter from Dickie to duckie.
A dealer paid cash,
(They are seldom so rash),
'Twas a fake, and the faker was lucky.

A cute little stamp comes from Cuba;
It is shaped like an inverted tuba;
Lying flat on its back,
It goes clickety-clack.
What queer stamps folks use down in Cuba?

There was an old stamp of Killarney,
With a picture of chili con carne.
'Twas as rare as the deuce,
But never in use,
So don't bite—this is nothing but Blarney.

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Query Dept.

Ruggles of Red Gap:—Glad to welcome you, old dear. Your M & M queries have been referred to Mr. West who says he has bought several of the imperf. blue Corning & Tappan perfumery stamps and got stung every time. There's a reason for the imperf. in black but no apparent reason for the blue imperfs. except that someone who was overstocked with perforates had a pair of scissors handy and needed the money.

Yes, indeed, the catalog arrangement of the Dr. Swett medicine stamps is apt to make anyone perspire freely. The black stamp—No. 5511—occurs only cut to shape with a die. All are used but none are cancelled. No. 5513 came next. It is perforated in rectangular form and is most frequently found unused—often with gum. No. 5512 is No. 5513 cut to shape like No. 5511 with a die. A few perforations often remain at the top, bottom or ends owing to the size of the cutting die. Copies of the green stamps on which the paper has a slight brownish stain are probably used, but these are exceptional.

Louise, Salem:—The 3c vermilion of 1887, U. S. A., has never been very scarce unused but nice used copies are rather difficult to find and covers bearing it used before 1891 are rarely seen. It was seldom used on letters because the letter rate was 2c during its currency. Probably it was most often used on circulars and this is why it usually bears the "package" cancellation of the larger cities. It was printed from plate No. 421 which was also used to print some of the 3c green of the re-engraved type, hence the vermilion exists only as a "re-engraved" stamp. We have never tried to make 3c vermilions from 3c greens by a Florida water or cologne bath and do not think it can be done. If this sort of kafoozelum appeals to you why not try witch hazel? If it would work anywhere it ought to work in Salem.

Mebbe So, I Dunno.

By A. D. HESIVE.

They tell me these here U. S. cuts
Will pacify the stamp craved muts,
That there won't be no use no more
To yell and screech and pace the floor,
An' all the philatelic hicks
Will put away their knocks and kicks,
Well, mebbe so, I dunno.

They tell me this here P. O. D.
May end it for philately,
That certain laws of this great land
Will soon be changed, we understand,
An' stead of treating us so rough
Will let us picture all our stuff,
Well, mebbe so, I dunno.

There's Johnny Bull, I'm told by some,
Has always had the best of fun,
He sends us pictures of our stamps;
Some class him with the reg'lar scamps,
To beat our laws he must be mad,
While others say he ain't so bad,
Well, mebbe so, I dunno.

"It is the law," they tell us guys,
"To keep forgers from getting wise,"
An' now when all the stamp bugs cry,
"John can forge as well as I",
Some say they'll hear our great demand
An' say they didn't understand,
Well, mebbe so, I dunno.

Parody on Slams of Life, with apologies to the author.

Correspondence.

Ken Bluemeadow, Hartford:—We note that McVittles was mistaken about the Putnam Wolf cancellation and thank you for informing us the animal in question is undoubtedly a fox. Your energy in discovering that Mr. Dudley Fox was postmaster at Hockanum, Conn., in 1866, where the cancellation was used is commendable, but you might have kept quiet about it being forty miles from Hockanum to the Wolf Den in Pomfret.

W. Atch, Waterbury: — From what you say it would appear the unique Waterbury cancellations should be credited to Charles W. Gillette, postmaster at Waterbury about 1866. Now we shall not be satisfied until we find a 3c '61 on the original cover with a safety razor cancellation in crimson.

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We have received from Wm. A. Sisson of St. Louis a letter from the office of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue at Washington which refers to a matter of general interest. Mr. Sisson wanted to know where he could buy the narcotic stamps and the rules relative to their purchase. This letter from H. M. Gaylord, deputy commissioner, is informative:—

"Reference is made to your letter in which you requested to be informed as to the procedure to be followed by you in order to secure ten each of the narcotic stamps listed on Form 786.

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THE UKRAINE TRIDENT.

A communication from the Ukraine Press Bureau to the *Times* of July 14th disposes of the picturesque fable, hitherto universally accepted, that the triform device on the Ukraine stamps represents "the sacred candelabra of St. Sophia, at Kieff." It appears that the Trident is actually taken from the coat of arms of the Grand Duke St. Wolodymir, of Kieff. The device is found on the gold and silver coins of his reign and also on certain ancient tiles discovered in the ruins of the Desjatin Church of St. Wolodymir at Kieff. The Central Ruda of the Ukraine decreed that it should be adopted as the national emblem of the entire Ukraine Republic. —*West End Phil.*

S. P. A. ANNUAL CONVENTION.

By H. S. SWENSEN.

The annual convention of the Society of Philatelic Americans was held at San Francisco, Aug. 26, 27, 28 and 29, 1919, and the officers elected for the ensuing year are as follows:—

President, C. W. Kissenger, Reading, Pa.; Vice Pres., C. W. Arp, San Francisco, Cal.; Secretary, C. V. Webb, Reading, Pa.; Treasurer, F. W. Coning, New Brunswick, N. J.; Sales Manager, H. S. Swensen, Minneapolis, Minn.; Exchange Manager, E. T. Wallis, Indianapolis, Ind.; International Secretary, Jos. Stern, New York; Attorney, L. M. Lang, Philadelphia, Pa.; Publicity Manager, Parke M. Lawrence, Conneauteville, Pa.; Librarian, W. R. Ricketts, Wilksbarre, Pa.; Asst. Librarian, Samuel Bennett, N. J.; Auction Manager, M. Ohlman, New York; Trustees, Chas. S. Turrill, San Francisco, Cal., E. H. Thompson, Portland, Me., John G. Bassler, Madison, Wis. Next Convention site, Pittsburgh, Pa.; official organ, *The Stamp Herald.*

In the absence of Secretary Webb, Mr. E. T. Wallis of Indianapolis was made secretary of the Convention.

President C. W. Kissenger of Reading, Pa., presided at all the sessions of the Convention and his address was a leading feature. He reviewed philatelic conditions during the past year and called attention to the importance of uniting the forces of the society in a forward publicity movement which would further the interests of Philately.

Taking cue from the President's suggestions, the delegates quickly did much constructive work.

Mr. Charles Turrill, a prominent collector of San Francisco, presented a resolution which called for the abolition of the present restrictions in the Federal laws which prohibit the illustration of the stamps of the United States.

The resolution also called for action to be taken by the society to exercise its influence to remove such restrictions and that it use proper propaganda in that behalf, and that copies of the resolutions be transmitted to members of Congress, the Postmaster General and the President of the United States.

The resolution was unanimously adopted and a publicity committee was authorized to carry it into effect if possible. The society will ask other philatelic organizations to co-operate in the movement.

The convention authorized the payment in full of all losses sustained by members in the Sales and Exchange departments. A life membership was created, the price of which was fixed at $20.00. Moneys from this fund may be used to liquidate deficits in any other department.

The laws of the association were strengthened by amendment and made more workable, especially with respect to the expulsion of undesirable members.

Charles Sidney Thompson of Los Angeles, Cal., urged that all philatelic societies should adopt a uniform rule that all counterfeit stamps circulated should be marked or designated in some way to show their character.

The reports of the various officers disclosed that the society is growing steadily.

The local societies of Berkeley and Oakland tendered the delegates a most sumptuous dinner at Oakland and on the closing day of the convention, an elaborate banquet was given by the various societies of San Francisco, Oakland and Berkeley at Hotel Clift in San Francisco. Mr. A. H. Weber, the well known philatelic expert and collector of Berkeley, presided.

Various trips and forms of entertainment were afforded the delegates by the local collectors. The convention was a thorough success from every point of view. Some of the visiting members prolonged their visit to enjoy the "coming in" of the Pacific Armada, and also to enjoy the hospitality of C. W. Arp, who entertained the members of the San Francisco Philatelic society and visiting delegates at his luxurious home.

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Sept. 16, 1919.

The 427th (regular) meeting of the society was held this evening. In the absence of the Secretary Mr. E. M. Carpenter was appointed Secretary pro tem. The minutes of the June meeting were read and approved. The library committee made a report of the latest additions to the library. Letters from Messrs. A. B. Slater and R. S. Emerson were read. The latter promised to exhibit his U. S. stamps of the 1849 issue at the October meeting and Mr. Slater will show his stamps of the same issue and his Providence stamps if he can possibly get to the meeting. Either of these exhibits is worth seeing and we hope to have both. Messrs. M. A. Lawton, N. A. Georganitas and W. H. Nicholas were elected to membership. The application of Kenneth W. Robie for junior membership, proposed by A. W. Dunning, was posted.

There was an auction directly after the business meeting, after which Mr. Waldo Farrar showed his collection of the stamps of India, among which there are very many odd and interesting items. There were 28 present, the meeting being adjourned at 9.45 P. M.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

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HOW CAN WE STAND THE PACE?

By BILL BLOSS.

Ten years ago, a general collection was a possibility. It was not an easy matter to acquire a nice, large collection with any degree of completeness, but a possibility. Today it is an almost impossible feat.

Ten years ago, if a man had ten thousand varieties, he had a good collection. Recently I had the pleasure of looking through a collection of seventeen thousand varieties of twentieth century only, and the owner confessed that he had given up all hopes of bringing it as near completion as the average collector of means could formerly hope to. He spends money within all bounds of reason—pays high prices—but he finds it hard to keep up with the flood of new issues.

George Ade once said that Lake Superior would run dry if tapped in enough places. Certainly to-day the general collector, even though he be possessed of millions, and have the income of a street car conductor or a plumber, will go broke if he tries to buy them all.

What is this going to do to stamp collecting?

Are the boys going to take up the hobby, and keep it up, as in the good old days, when they find they are facing the job of acquiring some fifty thousand varieties, costing more than that number of dollars?

After all, it is the general collectors who have made stamp collecting what it is. They were the pioneers, and while they may not have done the research that the specialists have, they have advertised the hobby and caused it to spread over the earth.

To the man or boy now starting our hobby, only two channels are open to him; to take what he can get, and be satisfied, or to specialize.

Nearly eighty years ago the first stamp was printed.

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Is it any wonder that collectors turn from their albums when they come upon notes in the catalog to the effect that only a limited number of this stamp was printed, and none were placed on sale.

Every day, almost, we see a new series from some place we never heard of, even in George Barr McCutcheon's works, or Gullible's Travels, and then they come imperforate, perforated, inverted, twisted and squehawed, with both plain and nobby treads.

Still casting an eye on that shiny side of the cloud, the fellow who does start a general collection has a bigger field to work with now, and his ten thousand will look just as pretty. Certainly he can get them easier than he could ten years ago, for he has a far larger field to select from.

There was a time when a thousand varieties cost about four dollars—that is, not so very long ago. To-day they still cost about that, but it is because labor has advanced, not because the thousand varieties are so rare.

And after all, these new things have a significance. They show the world's progress. They are more interesting than the ordinary stamps just issued because the native sons tired of looking at the old designs.

So when the new 20th Century album comes out, I'm going to buy one and start filling it up—with the same sensation I have when I stand on the edge of a pool of icy water, ready to make the plunge, and wondering just how cold it really is. I'm going to shut my eyes, hold my nose and go to it.

But I'm not going to ever expect to fill all the spaces—because it can't be done. I'm just going to content myself with the stamps I can get without having to pawn the family beefsteak.

All the general collector needs to find real happiness in his hobby, is the adjustment of his mind to meet existing conditions. If he can get over that old dread of the empty space, and see instead, the beauty of the stamps he has, he will be happy.

"It's a great life if you don't weaken," as the mess sergeant told the boys when he passed them another shot of corned wooly. The first hundred years are the hardest. The fellow who groans over the provisionals of to-day should cheer up. There are very few coming from South America these days.

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116	2 cent blue	.06
156	1 cent	.05
308	**Egypt Soudan,** 1 piastre	.05
22	**Falkland Is.,** ½ penny green	.06
79	**Fernando Poo** 15 cent violet	.10
44	**Fiji,** 6 pence rose	.15
45	1sh yellow brown	.20
49	2½ penny red brown	.08
50	4 penny violet	.08
56	2 pence green	.05

HIGHER PRICED ITEMS.

Something of interest to the more advanced collectors. A few of these in limited quantities so place your order early.

Scott's No.		Our Price
*180	**Afghanistan,** 1ab green	.45
10	**Antigua,** 4 pence blue	.60
15	4 pence blue	.50
26	6 pence	.50
* 27	1 shilling	.90
* 28	2 shilling	1.30
* 39	2 shilling	.45
21b	**Argentine,** 15 cent blue	.50
171	50 centavos	.30
204	20 pesos perf. initials, cat. $10	.50
230	20 pesos perf. initials cat. $30.	1.00
12	**Australia,** 5 shilling	.50
18	6 pence brown	.75
33	5 shilling	.60
169	**Azores,** 1e green	.90
* 42	**Bahamas,** 2 shilling	.80
* 43	3 shilling	.85
*102	5 pence Special	.35
* —	3 pence War	.30
*114	**Barbados,** 6 pence violet	.45
31	**Belgium,** 8 cent lilac	.65
23	**Bolivia,** 50 cent carmine	.38
88	1 bolivar	.40
76	2 bol brown	.40
74	**Brazil,** 260 reis brown	.65
46	**Br. Honduras,** 10 cent	.40
67	25 cent	1.00
70	**Bulgaria,** 5s lake	.70
72	15s blue	1.00
31	**Canal Zone,** 2 cent	.35
4	**Cape of Good Hope,** fair copies	1.15
19	1sh green	.35
29	3 pence lilac rose	.55
* 27	**Cayman Islands,** 1sh green	.40
* 43	3 pence violet	.50
* 44	1 shilling green	.50
94	**Ceylon,** 5 on 36	.50
212	1 rupee violet	.30
* 56	**Chile,** 50 centavo	.38
* 78	1 peso	2.10
*94	1 peso	.60
110	2 pesos	.38
3	**China,** 5 cand yellow	.45
40	10 on 9	.75
72	1 dollar	.38
31	**Colombian Rep.,** 10 cent blue	.50
*403	**Costa Rica,** 10 cent orange	.50
5	**Dominica,** 1 penny violet	.50
*145a	**Dominican Rep.,** Inv. surcharge	.90
151	5 on 20	.30
* 45	**Ecuador,** 1 sucre carmine	.50
* 46	5 sucres blue	.50
*152	5 sucres	1.00
*189	5 sucres violet	.85
7	**Egypt,** 1pia fair copies	1.00
* 9	10pa lilac	.50
11	20pa blue green	.50
59	200m plum	.55
36	**France,** 5 francs not fine copies of course	2.75
* 72	**Gibraltar,** 2 shillings	.60
141	**Great Britain,** 10sh ult.	1.25
1167	5pia on 1sh	.40
44	**Grenada,** 1 shilling	.55
* 1	**Guam,** 1 cent green	.30
* 5	5 cent blue	.30
34	**Hawaii,** 18 cent rose	.50
36	12 cent black	.75
40	10 cent black	.50
41	15 cent brown	1.10
* 45	10 cent vermilion	.50
* 65	2 cent	1.25
165	**Honduras,** 10 on 50	.55
173	5 on 10	.45
70	**Hong Kong,** 1 dollar	.95
86	2 dollar perf.	.55
96	50 cent green	.30
4	**Jamaica,** 4 pence br. orange	1.00
57	2sh violet	.50
72	**Japan,** 50 sen carmine	.35
39	**Labuan,** 40 cent ochre	1.00
7	**Leeward Islands,** 1sh pen canc.	.40
* 32	2½ pence	1.50
* 47	**Liberia,** Triangle imp.	.25
110	75 cent	.40
111	1 dollar	.45
112	2 dollars	1.00
113	5 dollars	1.60
14	**Luxemburg,** 2 cent black	.40
143	**Macao,** 2a blue cat. $2.00	.50
24	**Malta,** 2½ pence	.60
* 50	**Mauritius,** 2 cent claret	.45
115	25 cent	.40
432	**Mexico,** 1 peso	.40
526	1 peso	.50
* 1	**Montserrat,** 1 penny red	.30
3	**Netherlands,** 15 cent orange	1.25
11	25 cent violet	.60
12	50 cent gold	1.00
20	1 cent black	.35
* 24	2½ cent violet	.40
30	**Nevis,** 4 pence gray	.50
119	**New Zealand,** 2sh green	.35
* 9	**Nicaragua,** 2 cent blue	.30
* 11	10 cent vermilion	.25
35	**Northern Nigeria,** 1sh green	.45
218	**Peru,** 1 sol	.50
219	2 soles	1.00
232	**Philippines,** 8 cent	.45
252	2 peso black cat. $2.50	.60
* 6	**Rhodesia,** 8 pence	.35
*116	**Roumania,** 15b brown	.40
36	**St. Lucia,** 1sh pen canc.	.25
64	**St. Vincent,** 2½ pence	.40
*119	**Serbia,** 5d violet	1.10
*159	**Shanghai,** 4 on 15	.38
278	**Transvaal,** 10 shilling	.50
* 72a	**Venezuela,** 50 cent blue	.40
162	1 bolivar slate	.30
209	**Victoria,** 1sh yellow	.35
229	5 shilling	1.25

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* 50c	10 cent green, no gum	2.00
68	10 cent yellow green	.15
71	30 cent orange, fair	.65
72	90 cent blue, off center	2.75
*112	1 cent buff, no gum, sup. copies	1.00
	Same, used copies	.50
120	24 cent heavy canc.	2.50
134	1 cent grilled	.30
*209	10 cent brown	.22
*217	30 cent brown	.65
407	$2 dark blue	.65
408	$5 light green	1.15
	Parcel Post complete	.45
1502	3 cent Agriculture	.25
*1549	6 cent P. O. Dept.	.12
*1558	3 cent State	.50
*1890	24 cent War	.18
*2004	5 cent blue	1.50
2295	25 cent P. P. Dues	.40
*3996a	1 cent inv. surcharge	1.00
*3997a	2 cent inv. surcharge	.20
4042	$50 brown	.50
4104	$10 orange	.35

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4	3 penny red fair copies	.75
14	1 cent rose	.12
15	5 cent vermilion	.05
16	10 cent red lilac	.85
18	2 cent rose	.85
19	12½ cent yell. green	.40
21	½ cent black	.25
24	3 cent red	.12
25	6 cent dark brown	.35
27	15 cent lilac	.25
46	20 cent vermilion	.09
47	50 cent blue	.10
* 57	10 cent br. violet	.35
80	8 cent orange	.18
87	20 cent green	.25
95	50 cent purple	.18
260	Special Delivery	.05

NEWFOUNDLAND—NEW BRUNSWICK

* 6	**New Brunswick,** 1 cent	.25
* 7	5 cent	.05
* 8	10 cent	.25
* 10	17 cent	.25
* 11	2 cent	.06
* 24	**Newfoundland,** 2 cent green	.60
26	10 cent black	1.25
27	12 cent	.50
38	5 cent blue	.30
* 41	2 cent green	.35
42	3 cent blue	.10
43	5 cent pale blue	.20
* 44	½ cent red	.07
46	2 cent orange	.06
47	3 cent brown	.08
* 49	10 cent black	.55
* 53	6 cent lake	.30
* 92	6 cent claret	.50
* 95	10 cent black	.50
* 97	15 cent black	1.00

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Scott's No.		Our Price
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*201 to 207	Abyssinia	.60
160 to 168	Argentine	.35
241 to 260	Belgium	1.40
40 to 46	Bolivia Hard Paper	.15
* 30 to 45	Bosnia, scarce	2.50
89 to 95	Canada	.28
200 to 209	Ceylon	.16
176 to 191	China	.50
*145 to 152	Ecuador	1.45
*181 to 189	Ecuador	1.65
50 to 59	Egypt	1.00
114 to 123	Guatemala	.28
127 to 137	Japan	.08
140 to 143	Japan	.30
72 to 80	Labuan	.50
101 to 113	Liberia	4.00
*500 to 505	Mexico	.14
529 to 535	Mexico	.45
608 to 615	Mexico	.12
* 1 to 9	Mozambique Co.	.55
1918	Mozambique, 4 var.	.08
78 to 85	Newfoundland	.20
*167 to 174	Nicaragua	.45
402 to 407	Salvador	.12
* 59 to 64	Serbia	.20
	Same, used	.28
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*Siam	Victory, rare, 5 var.	1.25
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Palestine, 1 piastre blue perf. on original covers	.25

Scott's No.		Our Price
56	Abyssinia, 5 on 16	$2.50
* 30	Antigua, 5 shilling	2.25
*110 to 126	Austria, complete	5.75
*130 to 145	Cameroons, complete	4.00
*176 to 193	China, ½c to $5	5.75
* 32	Corea, 1wn rose	3.00
*232c	Cuba, double surcharge, fair copy cat. $18.00	6.00
* 42 to 57	Dahomey, complete	3.00
* 63 to 78	French Guinea, complete	3.00
*730	German Morocco	2.25
* 66 to 75	Gibraltar, complete	11.00
688	Greece in Turkey, error, cat. Y. & T. $15.00, used copy	10.00
*536	Greece, Lemnos, off centered	4.00
* 42 to 57	Ivory Coast complete	3.00
* 18 to 33	Mauritania, complete	3.00
12	Madeira, 80 reis orange	5.00
*105 to 108	Netherlands, 1 to 10gld	10.00
* 51	Northern Nigeria, 10 shilling	3.25
*5 and 6	N. W. Pacific Is.	5.50
*357 to 375	Port. India, complete	3.85
*154 to 168	Roumania, complete	7.25
* 88 to 104	Russia, complete	12.75
*423	Russia China, 10 ruble	6.00
*830	Russian Turkey, 50 on 5	3.00
*119	Sierra Leone, 1 pound	6.00
* 61	Somali Coast, 1 franc inv. centre	1.75

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Scott's No.		Per 10.	Per 100
351 to 354	U. S.	.40	..
3829	U. S., 6 cent In. Exchange	.60	..
3853	U. S., 50 cent Conv.	.15	..
*4132	U. S., ¼ cent	.08	..
*4140	U. S., 1¼ cent	.18	..
Custom House Revs., 20 cent		..	.20
24	Australia, 4 pence	.30	..
129	Barbados, 1 penny	.08	..
92	Bulgaria, 5s	.07	..
93	Bulgaria, 10s	.07	..
72	Canada, 8 cent	.40	..
260	Canada, Special Del.	.35	..
183	China, 7 cent	.40	..
	China Revs., 1 cent	.12	..
42	Corea, 2ch	.80	..
* 72	Cuba, 12½ cent	.30	..
261	Cuba, 5 cent	.32	..
56	Egypt, 20m	.30	..
115	Egypt, 2m	.07	..
116	Egypt, 4m	.15	..
117	Egypt, 1pia	.06	..
*177	Hayti, 5 cent	.18	..
*189	Hayti, 5 cent	.18	..
*189	Hayti, 15 cent	.80	..
*200	Hayti, 20 cent	1.20	..
*Italy,	early issues reprints	..	.75
*160	Mexico, 50 cent	.20	..
*161	Mexico, 1 peso	.20	..
*162	Mexico, 2 pesos	.40	..
46	Newfoundland	.55	..
205-9	Paraguay	.50	..
241	Philippines, 2 cent	..	.18
137-140	Siam	.60	..
144-148	Siam	.50	..
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Central America Cut Squares		..	.25

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ANGOLA.

1903
25r, No. 80 .... .03
1912
2½r, No. 103 ... .03

AUSTRALIAN COMMONWEALTH.

1913-16
2p, No. 3 ..... .02
2½p, No. 4 ..... .03
3p, No. 5 ..... .02
6p, No. 8 ..... .02
9p, No. 9 ..... .06
1sh, No. 10 .... .04
5p, No. 25 ..... .07

AUSTRIA.

1902
35h, No. 85 .... .02
40h, No. 96 .... .02
72h, No. 99 .... .03
1913-16
72h, No. 144 ... .13
80h, No. 157 ... .03
1914-15 Charity.
5 (7)h, No. 401 .03
10 (12)h, No. 402 .04
3h+1h, No. 403 .03
5h+2h, No. 404 .03
10h+2h, No. 405 .05
20h+3h, No. 406 .08
35h+3h, No. 407 .11
1908 Postage Due.
25h, No. 664 .. .03
50h, No. 666 .. .04
100h, No. 667 .. .04
1908 Offices.
2pia, No. 1051.. .05
5pia, No. 1052.. .09

AZORES.

1906
*5r, No. 102 .. .02
*10r, No. 103 .. .03
25r, No. 105 .... .02
50r, No. 106 .... .05
1911
*10r, No. 128 ... .03
*20r, No. 151 ... .06

BAHAMAS.

1912
*6p, No. 53 .... .18
1912
*1sh, No. 54 .... .34

BARBADOS.

1905
1p, No. 102 .... .05
1906"Olive Blossom"
1p, No. 107 .... .08

BAVARIA.

1911
25pf, No. 81 .... .03
30pf, No. 82.... .03
40pf, No. 83.... .02
50pf, No. 84.... .02
80pf, No. 85.... .04
1m, No. 86 .... .07
1914
3pf, No. 94 .... .01
5pf, No. 95 .... .01
10pf, No. 96.... .01
20pf, No. 97.... .01
25pf, No. 98.... .02
30pf, No. 99.... .02
40pf, No. 100... .02
50pf, No. 101... .02
60pf, No. 102... .07
80pf, No. 103... .04
1m, No. 104 ... .06
1916
2½ on 2pf, No.110 .04
7½pf, No. 111 .. .04
10pf, No. 112 .. .02
15pf, No. 113... .04
1916 Official.
5pf, No. 310 .... .02
7½pf, No. 311 .. .02
10pf, No. 312... .02
15pf, No. 313... .02
25pf. No. 315... .02

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Bavaria surcharged "VOLKSTAAT."

1919
3pf ..... .02
5pf ..... .02
7½pf ..... .04
10pf ..... .02
15pf ..... .04

BENADIR.

1907
*5c on 2b, No.11 .04
*10c on 1a, No.12 .05
1916 Charity.
*10c+5c, No. 101 .06
*15c+5c, No. 102 .45
*20c+5c, No. 103 .08
*20c. No. 104... .20

BRITISH HONDURAS.

1902
5c, No. 60 ..... .10
1904
2c, No. 63 ..... .03
*2c, No. 63 ..... .08
5c, No. 64 ..... .15
*5c, No. 64 .... .20
1909-15
5c, No. 73 ..... .07
2c, No. 85 .... .07

CHILE.

1911
5p, No. 111 .... .50
1911
10p, No. 112.... 1.50

CANAL ZONE.

1904 On U. S.
*1c, No. 4 ..... .10
*2c, No. 5 ..... .13
*5c, No. 6 ..... .50
*8c, No. 7 ..... 1.00
*10c. No. 8 .... 1.10
1904-5
*1c, No. 9 ..... .03
*2c, No. 10 .... .05
*5c, No. 12 .... .12
*1c, No. 22 .... .04
*2c, No. 25 .... .05
*8c. No. 28 .... .25
1906
*2c, No. 31 .... .50
1c, No. 32 ..... .03
1906
2c, No. 33 ..... .03
5c, No. 34 ..... .04
8c, No. 35 ..... .15
10c, No. 36 .... .15
1909-11
1c, No. 41 ..... .02
2c, No. 42 ..... .02
5c, No. 43 ..... .02
8c, No. 44 ..... .06
10c, No. 45 .... .08
10c, No. 46 .... .06
1915 Postage Due.
1c, No. 108 .... .02
2c. No. 109 .... .03
10c, No. 110 .... .12

CHINA.

1902-5
4c, No. 78 ..... .02
10c, No. 81 .... .03
4c, No. 91 ..... .03
7c, No. 93 ..... .08
16c, No. 95 .... .13
1912
5c, No. 124 .... .03
7c, No. 125 .... .06
10c, No. 126.... .03
50c, No. 130.... .12
20c, No. 143.... .10
30c, No. 144.... .12
1913
3c, No. 151 .... .06
4c, No. 180 .... .02
5c, No. 181 .... .02
6c, No. 182 .... .04
7c, No. 183 .... .06
8c, No. 184 .... .03
15c, No. 186 ... .10
16c, No. 187 ... .10
20c, No. 188 ... .04
30c, No. 189 ... .04
50c. No. 190 ... .06
$1.00, No. 191 .. .10

CUBA.

1902
*1c on 3c, No. 232 .08
10c, No. 237 .... .02
15c. No. 238 .... .08

DENMARK.

1901-5
24o, No. 52 .... .05
15o on 24o, No.56 .06
50o, No. 66 .... .10
1907
35o, No. 75 .... .07
50o, No. 76 .... .02
100o, No. 77 ... .02

DUTCH INDIES.

1901-5
3c, No. 42 ..... .03
15c, No. 48 .... .03
25c, No. 50 .... .02
30c, No. 51 .... .02
50c, No. 52 .... .02
10c, No. 53 .... .07
1906-8
1gld, No. 55 ... .10
2½gld. No. 56 .. .70
7½c, No. 57 .... .04
17½c, No. 58 ... .10
1908
22½c, No. 59 ... .12
25c, No. 75 .... .05
30c, No. 76 .... .06
20c, No. 91 .... .03
25c, No. 93 .... .03
50c, No. 95 .... .03
1gld, No. 96.... .16
1912
*3c, No. 106 ... .02
12½c, No. 111... .03
20c, No. 114 .... .06

EGYPT.

1907-15
4m, No. 49 ..... .02
3m, No. 52 ..... .01
4m, No. 53 ..... .01
10m, No. 55 .... .01
20m, No. 56 .... .05
50m, No. 57 .... .12
100m, No. 58 ... .16
200m, No. 59 ... .45
2m on 3m, No. 60 .02
1907 Official.
2m, No. 203 .... .01
3m, No. 204 .... .03
1913-14
5m, No. 209 .... .05
4m, No. 211 .... .02

SOUDAN.

1902-7
*1m, No. 617... .02
*2m, No. 618... .03
3m, No. 619.... .03
1pia, No. 623... .03
2pia, No. 624... .16
5pia, No. 625... .30
4m, No. 629 .... .05
1902 Official.
2pia, No. 809 .. .07

20th Century

EPIRUS.

1914
*1d, No. 20 .... .20
*2d, No. 21 .... .40
*5d, No. 22 .... 1.00

ERITREA.

1910-14
15c, No. 34 .... .06
25c, No. 35 .... .10
5c. No. 36 ..... .02
10c, No. 37 .... .03
1907 Special.
25c, No. 101 ... .08
30c, No. 102 ... .16

FRANCE.

1903
20c, No. 130 .... .02
30c, No. 132 .... .02
1906
10c, No. 133 ... .06
1914 Charity.
*10c+5c, No. 202 .05
1902 Offices.
2pia, No. 632 ... .02
10c, No. 2221... .03
25c, No. 2224 .. .02
50c, No. 2227 .. .12
1fr, No. 2228 .. .15
10c+5c, No. 2506 .25

GREAT BRITAIN.

1901
4p, No. 133 .... .03
10p, No. 137 ... .06
1sh, No. 138 ... .03
2sh 6p, No. 139 .15
1909
4p, No. 144 .... .02
7p, No. 145 .... .06
1912
2sh 6p, No. 173 .15

GREECE.

1902 Postage Due.
*1l, No. 448 .... .02
*2l, No. 449 .... .02
*3l, No. 450 .... .03
20l, No. 453 .... .05
25l, No. 454 .... .05
40l, No. 456 .... .15
50l, No. 457 .... .08

GRENADA.

1906
2½p, No. 71 .... .07
1906 Postage Due.
3p, No. 310 .... .20

HONG KONG.

1903-13
10c, No. 65 .... .07
10c, No. 80 .... .10
20c, No. 82 .... .05
20c, No. 107 .... .07
50c, No. 110 .... .20

HUNGARY.

1918
*50f, No. 118 .. .12
*75f, No. 119 .. .18
*80f, No. 120 .. .20
Surcharged
"Koztarsasag"
1919
*2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 20f .30
1913-14 Charity.
*1f, No. 151 ... .02
1f, No. 168 .... .03
2f, No. 169 .... .03
3f, No. 170 .... .03
5f, No. 171 .... .03
6f, No. 172 .... .04
10f, No. 173 ... .04

ITALY.

1910
5c, No. 96 .... .16
*15c, No. 97 ... .12
*5c, No. 98 ..... .16
*15c, No. 99 .... .12
1911
*2c, No. 100 ... .02
*5c, No. 101 ... .03
*10c, No. 102 ... .06
*15c, No. 103 ... .07
1912
*5c, No. 104 .. .06
*15c, No. 105 ... .15
1913
*2c on 5c, No. 107 .02
*2c on 10c,No.108 .02
1915
*10c+5c, No. 191 .05
*15c+5c, No. 192 .10
*20c+5c, No. 193 .25

Occupation of Austria.

1919 surcharged "de Corona" and new value, *2c-1 lira & Special, 11 var. 1.25

1919
Venezia Guilia.
*10c ..... .08
*20c ..... .15
*20h on 20c .... .15
1919
Venezia Tridentia.
*5h on 5c ..... .03
*10h on 10c .... .06
*20h on 20c .... .15

JAMAICA.

1901-3
*1p, No. 32 .... .05
*½p, No. 33 .... .03
*1p, No. 34 .... .05
*2½p, No. 36... .12
2½p, No. 36 .... .06
2½p, No. 42 .... .06
3p, No. 43 ..... .06
*3p, No. 53 .... .20
1911-12
*2p, No. 58 .... .15
3p, No. 65 .... .08
6p, No. 67 .... .12
1sh, No. 68 .... .15
3p, No. 69 .... .10

JAPAN.

1905-8
3s, No. 107 .... .10
1½s, No. 108 ... .15
*1½s. No. 108 .. .40
?s, No. 109 .... .30
5y, No. 113 .... .06
10y, No. 114.... .20
1913
4s, No. 120 .... .02
5s, No. 121 .... .02
20s, No. 123.... .03
25s, No. 124.... .06
1y, No. 125 .... .20
1914
25s, No. 136 .... .02
1y, No. 137 .... .06
1914
5y, No. 138 .... .06
10y, No. 139 .. .15
1915
1½s, No. 140 .. .02
3s, No. 141 .... .02
4s, No. 142 .... .07
10s, No. 143 ... .15
1916
1½s, No. 144 .... .05
3s, No. 145 .... .06
*10s, No. 146 ... 2.25
1910-15 Military.
3s. No. 201 .... .15
3s, No. 202 .... .30
3s, No. 203 .... .15

LIBERIA.

1906-16
50c, No. 109 .... .25
75c, No. 110 .... .40
$1, No. 111 .... .50
$2, No. 112 .... 1.00
$5, No. 113 .... 1.50
*1c on 2c, No.156 .05
1906 Official.
20c, No. 401 .... .13
25c, No. 402 .... .15
50c, No. 404 .... .25
$1, No. 406 .... .50
$2, No. 407 .... 1.00
$5, No. 408 .... 1.50

NETHERLANDS.

1901-7
17½c, No. 90.... .10
17½c, No. 91.... .02
3c, No. 95 .... .04
1c, No. 96 ..... .04
2½c, No. 97 .... .04
1906 Charity.
1c. No. 175 .... .07
3c, No. 176 .... .14
5c, No. 177 .... .17

MACAO.

1901-3
10a, No. 94 .... .13
*20a, No. 96 ... .35
10a, No. 125 ... .15
5a, No. 130 ... .10
1911-13
2a, No. 148 .... .02
6a, No. 152 .... .06
10a, No. 154 .. .10
4a, No. 194 .... .03
1911 Postage Due.
1a, No. 413 .... .02
2a, No. 414 .... .02

MEXICO.

1903
*2c, No. 305 .... .02
4c, No. 306 ..... .02
*5c, No. 307 .... .03
50c, No. 309 .... .06
1910
*5c, No. 314 .. .02
*10c. No. 315 .. .05
*15c, No. 316 .. .06
*20c, No. 317 .. .10
*1p, No. 319 .. .25
1914
*5c, No. 374 .... .08
*15c, No. 376 .. .25
*20c, No. 377 .. .40
*5c, No. 389 .... .02
*10c, No. 390 .. .03
*15c, No. 391 .. .04
*50c, No. 392 .. .06
*1p, No. 393.... .15
*20c, No. 398 .. .08
*20c, No. 399 .. .30
*50c, No. 400 .. .18

Gobierno Const.

*1c, No. 423 .... .01
*2c, No. 424 .... .02
*3c, No. 425 .... .02
*5c, No. 427 .... .02
*10c, No. 428 .. .04
*15c. No. 429 .. .05
1915
*2c, No. 456 .... .02
*3c, No. 457 .... .02
*5c. No. 459 .... .02
*50c, No. 463 .. .50
*1p. No. 464 .. 1.00
1915 Rouletted.
*1c to 10c ..... .15
*4c, No. 509 .... .06
*40c. No. 512 .. .08
1p, No. 513 .... .07

20th Century

1916
*2c, No. 518 ... .02
*3c, No. 519 ... .02
*10c, No. 533 ... .06
*3c, No. 568 ... .03
*5c, No. 569 ... .03
*10c, No. 570 .. .03
*15c, No. 571 .. .03
*50c, No. 572 .. .13
*10c, No. 578 .. .02
*20c, No. 579 .. .05
*25c, No. 580 .. .05
*1p, No. 600 ... .13
30c, No. 615 ... .05
40c, No. 624 ... .05

NEW FOUNDLAND.

1901
4c, No. 85 ..... .08
1910
5c, No. 91 .... .10

NEW ZEALAND.

1901
*1½p, No. 101.. .15
1907
*3p, No. 126 ... .15

NORTH BORNEO.

1902
16c, No. 118 .. .06
1909
18c, No. 146 ... .50

PALESTINE.

1919
*1m ..... .03
*2m ..... .03
1919
*3m ..... .05
*4m ..... .06

PERSIA.

1902
1c, No. 173 .... .02
2c, No. 174 .... .02
3c, No. 175 .... .12
4c, No. 176 .... .13
5c, No. 177 .... .02
8c, No. 178 .... .15
10c, No. 179 ... .02
12c, No. 180 ... .04
16c, No. 181 ... .13
1908
26c, No. 435 ... .02
1k, No. 436 .... .02
2k, No. 437 .... .04
3k, No. 438 .... .05
4k, No. 439 .... .06
5k, No. 441 .... .05
10k, No. 442 ... .08
20k, No. 443 ... .15
30k, No. 444 ... .25

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

1903-6
*2c, No. 227 ... .15
5c, No. 230 .... .03
6c, No. 243 .... .04
8c, No. 244 .... .04
10c, No. 245 ... .02
16c, No. 247 ... .10
20c, No. 248 ... .06
30c, No. 250 ... .12
*2p, No. 252.... 1.75
1909-11
2p, No. 260a.... 1.20
6c, No. 263 ... .02
8c, No. 264 .... .02
10c, No. 265 .... .02
12c, No. 266 .... .04
20c, No. 268 .... .03
30c, No. 270 .... .06

ROUMANIA.

1905-8
1 leu, No. 174 .. .25
2 leu, No. 175 .. .60
40b, No. 182.... .06
1 leu, No. 215 .. .10
2 leu, No. 216,gd. .25
1914
1b, No. 224 .... .04
3b, No. 225 .... .04
5b, No. 226 .... .05
10b, No. 227 ... .06
15b, No. 228 ... .07
25b, No. 229.... .15
40b, No. 230 .. .19
50b, No. 231 .. .30
1 leu, No. 232 .. .45

RUSSIA.

1909
*4k, No. 76 .... .03
*5k, No. 77 .... .05
*14k, No. 80 ... .10
*50k, No. 85.... .45
*70k, No. 86 ... .65
1917
*1k, No. 114 ... .05
*2k, No. 115 ... .15
*3k, No. 116 ... .08
*15k, No. 133 .. .10
*35k. No. 135 .. .25

SAN MARINO.

1905-18
*15c on 20c,No.46 .19
*15c, No. 48 ... .25
*20c on 15c,No.49 .25

SERBIA.

1901
5p, No. 59 ..... .02
10p, No. 60 .... .03
15p, No. 61 .... .04
20p, No. 62 .... .05
25p, No. 63 .... .07
50p, No. 64 .... .07
1p, No. 65 .... .18
1903
5p, No. 69 03
10p, No. 70 .... .03
15p, No. 71 .... .04
20p, No. 72 .... .05
25p, No. 73 .... .05
3d, No. 76 .... .75
5d. No. 77 .... .75
1904
5p, No. 79 ..... .03
10p, No. 80 .... .03
15p, No. 81 .... .05
25p, No. 82 .... .08
50p, No. 83 .... .13
1d, No. 84 .... .35
3d, No. 85 .... .65
5d, No. 86 .... .75
1911
25p, No. 114 ... .04
1914
50p, No. 128 ... .20

SIAM.

1906-8
1a, No. 74 .... .02
2a, No. 75 .... .02
4a, No. 77 .... .02
5a, No. 78 .... .12
8a, No. 79 .... .04
12a, No. 80 .... .08
24a, No. 81 .... .10
1t, No. 82 ..... .15
*1a, No. 86 .... .03
4a, No. 89 ..... .05
1a. No. 95 ..... .05
*4a. No. 97 .... .25
1909
*6s, No. 107 .... .10
2s, No. 109 .... .02
2s, No. 110 .... .03
*3s, No. 111 .... .35
3s, No. 112 .... .03
*6s, No. 112a ... 1.20
6s, No. 113 .... .03
6s, No. 114 .... .25
*6s, No. 114 .... .25
12s, No. 115 .... .03
14s, No. 116 ... .04
*14s, No. 117 .. .50
1910-12
2s, No. 119 .... .02
3s, No. 120 .... .02
6s, No. 121 .... .02
12s, No. 122 ... .03
14s, No. 123 ... .03
28s, No. 124 ... .10
2s, No. 125 .... .02
3s, No. 126 .... .02
6s, No. 127 .... .02
14s, No. 129 ... .06
2b, No. 132 .... .75
3b, No. 133 .... 1.35
5b, No. 134 .... 2.25
10b. No. 135 ... 4.50
1914-1
*2s, No. 137 ... .04
5s, No. 138 .... .03
10s, No. 139 ... .03
15s, No. 140 .... .05
*2s on 14s,No.143 .12
2s on 14s, No. 143 .12

SWITZERLAN

1904-5
40c, No. 104 ... .07
20c, No. 105 ... .03
25c, No. 106 ... .02
30c, No. 107 ... .03
40c, No. 108 ... .03
50c. No. 109 ... .02
1fr, No. 110 .... .02
2c, No. 113 .... .02
12c, No. 117 .... .02
15c, No. 118 ... .03
1914-1
13c, No. 155 ... .02
15c, No. 156 ... .02
3fr, No. 157 .... .12
5fr, No. 158 .... .16
*13c on12c,No.161 .06
13c on 12c,No.162 .06
80c on 70c,No.163 .12
80c, No. 164 .... .10
3c, No. 165 .... .02
7½c. No. 167 .... .03
1919 Peace Stamps.
*7½c ..... .03
*10c ..... .04
*15c ..... .06
Charity.
1911 2, 5, 10c .. .04
1913-17
5c, No. 304 .... .04
5c, No. 305 .... .04
3c, No. 308 .... .04
5c, No. 309 .... .05
10c. No. 310 ... .08
3c, No. 311 .... .03
5c, No. 312 .... .05
10c. No. 313 ... .06
1918, 10c ..... .08
15c ..... .12

WURTEMBERG.

1906 Official.
25pf. No. 242 .. .05
25pf, No. 248 .. .01
30pf. No. 249 .. .02
50pf No. 251 .. .10
1m. No. 252 .... .10

19th Century

BAVARIA.

1862-76
1kr, No. 9 ..... .35
1kr, No. 23 .... .03
25pf, No. 42 ....
50pf, No. 43....
2m, No. 45 ....

BELGIUM.

1879-95 Parcel Post.
10c, No. 501 ... .06
20c, No. 502 ... .25
25c, No. 503 ... .12
50c, No. 504 ... .18
1fr, No. 506 ...
10c, No. 507 ...
15c, No. 508 ...
1fr, No. 514 ....
15c, No. 517 ...

BULGARIA.

1881-96
3s, No. 6 ..... .15
25s, No. 16 .... .03
30s, No. 17 .... .07
50s, No. 18 .... .07
50s, No. 36 ....
1 leu, No. 37 ...
1s, No. 43 .....
5s, No. 44 ....
15s, No. 45 ....

CHINA.

1897
*½c on 3c, No.21 .05
5c on 5c, No. 25 .
*1c on 1c, No. 35 .

COREA.

1885-1903
*10mons, No. 2 .07
5p, No. 6 ..... .15
*50p, No. 9 ...
50p, No. 9 .....
*2ch on 25p,No.36 .

CUBA.

1883
5c, No. 106 .... .05
*10c, No. 107 .. .06
5c, No. 109 .... .03
*10c. No. 110 .. .08
5c, No. 112 .... .05
*10c, No. 113 .. .06
5c, No. 115 ....
*10c, No. 116 ..
5c, No. 118 ....
*10c, No. 119 ..
1894-98
*2c, No. 145 ....
*4m, No. 159 ...

EGYPT.

1867-79
10pa, No. 9..... .70
1pia, No. 13 .... .15
20pa, No. 20a .. .15
1pia, No. 21 .... .05
5pa on 2½pi,No.27 .30
10pa, No. 30 .. .15
20pa, No. 33 .. .10
2pia, No. 35 ...
1884-89
20pa on5pia,No.37 .
20pa, No. 39 ...
5pia, No. 41 ...
*3mil, No. 46 ..
2pia, No. 47 ...
10pia, No. 48 ..

SOUDAN.

1897
1mil, No. 601 .. .04
2mil, No. 602 .. .05
3mil, No. 603 ..
5mil, No. 604 ..
1pia, No. 605 ..

JAPAN.

1876-79
20s, No. 66 .... .06
50s, No. 72 .... .40
1894
*2s, No. 85 .... .05
*5s, No. 86 .... .08
1896
5s, No. 88 ..... .06
2s, No. 89 ..... .04
5s, No. 90 ..... .05
1900 Offices in Chir
*5r, No. 301 ...
*1s, No. 302 ...
*2s, No. 303 ...
*5s, No. 304 ...
*8s, No. 305 ...
25s, No. 306 ...
*4s, No. 309 ...
*10s, No. 310 ..
50s, No. 313 ...

KIAUCHAU.

1900
5pf, No. 2 ..... .15
10pf, No. 3 ... .15
1905
10c, No. 17 ....
20c, No. 18 ....

MEXICO.

1872-79
12c, No. 94 .... .12
25c, No. 95 .... .06
5c, No. 106 .... .05
10c, No. 107 ... .03
10c, No. 108 ... .02
50c, No. 110 .. .10
100c, No. 111 .. .12
1c, No. 123 .... .08
5c, No. 125 .... .08
10c, No. 126 ... .05
25c, No. 127 ... .12
*50c, No. 128a.. .17
85c. No. 129 ... .65
*100c, No. 130a .25
1c, No. 149 ....
2c, No. 151 ....
3c, No. 152 ....
4c, No. 153 ....
5c, No. 154 ....
6c, No. 155 ....
12c, No. 157 ...
20c, No. 158 ...
*50c, No. 160 ..
*1p, No. 161 ...
*2p, No. 162 ...
1895-99
*4c, No. 245 ...
1p, No. 302 ....

MONTENEGRO.

1874-94
*10n, No. 5 .... .10
*20n, No. 20 .. .04
*30n, No. 21....
*1fl, No. 23 ....
*2fl, No. 24 ....

MOZAMBIQUE COMPANY.

1894
150r, No. 19 .. .08
200r, No. 20 ... .10
300r, No. 21 ....
500r, No. 22 ...
1000r, No. 23 ..

NETHERLANDS.

1869-99
1½c, No. 22 .... .35
2½gld, No. 85..
5gld, No. 86....

NEW ZEALAND.

1898-99
*5p, No. 77 .... .40
*6p, No. 78 .... .50
*8p, No. 79 ....
*8p, No. 94 ....
*1sh, No. 96 ...

PERSIA.

1881-82
5c, No. 50 ..... .20
10c, No. 51 .... .08
15c, No. 52 .... .20
1fr, No. 57 .... .15
5fr, No. 58 .... .15
10fr, No. 59 .... .50
1894
*16c, No. 95 ... .15
*1k, No. 96 ... .05
*2k, No. 97 .... .05
*5k. No. 98 .... .07
*10k, No. 99 ... .15
*50k, No. 100 .. .60
1899
*1c, No. 136 .... .01
*2c, No. 137 .... .02
*3c, No. 138 .... .03
*4c, No. 139.... .0
*5c on 5c, No. 140.... .0
*8c, No. 141.... .1
*10c, No. 142 .. .0
*12c, No. 143 .. .0
*16c, No. 144 .. .1
*1k, No. 145 0
*2k, No. 146 0
*3k, No. 147 1
*4k, No. 148 1
*5k. No. 149 1
*10k, No. 150 .. .2
*50k. No. 151 .. .2
1881 Official.
*1s, No. 881 ....
*2s, No. 882 ....
*5s, No. 883....
*10s, No. 884...

PHILIPPINES.

1859-64
*10c, No. 11 .... 1.00
3½c, No. 21 .... .20
1870-80
10c, No. 40 .... .30
12c, No. 43 .... .50
62c, No. 46 .... 1.00
25c, No. 55 .... .20
*15c, No. 87 ... .10
1890-92
*5c, No. 143 ... .06
*12½c, No. 146.. .06
*25c, No. 151 .. .12
*8c, No. 157 .... .10
1892-97
*20c, No. 161 ..
*20c, No. 177 ..
*40c, No. 179 ..
*5c on 5c. No.181 .
*15c on15c,No.182 .
1899 on U. S.
*1c, No. 213 ...
*2c, No. 214 ...
*3c, No. 215 ...
*5c, No. 216 ...
*10c, No. 217 ..
*15c, No. 218 ..
50c, No. 219 ...

PORTUGAL.

1871-75
120r, No. 41 .... .60
15r, No. 43 .... .10
1879
10r, No. 47 ....
50r, No. 48 ....

VICTORIA.

1897 Charity,
*1p. No. 291 ... .35

WURTEMBERG.

1875
25pf. No. 59.... .15
1900
30pf, No. 71 .. .10

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JUGO-SLAVIA.

By JAMES F. HAMILL.

One of the largest nations to be reborn through the great European struggle is what is known as Jugo-Slavia, and one which, after many years of slumber under Austrian tyranny and oppression, has at last awakened and broken its bonds and come forth like a slave into the enlightening sun of freedom.

It has been claimed by some that the people of Jugo-Slavia were hostile to the Allies and to the aims of the United States in the war, but such needs emphatic contradiction. It is a matter of history that the Jugo-Slavs, like the Poles and Czecho-Slovaks, not only surrendered to the Allied troops at every possible opportunity, after being compelled as subjects of the dual monarchy to serve in the ranks of the Austro-Hungarian army, but also volunteered to fight against their oppressors. The Jugo-Slav divisions formed in Russia after their voluntary surrender fought with the utmost bravery against the Germans, the Austro-Hungarians and the Bulgars in the Dobrudja, while the valiant conduct of the Jugo-Slav troops during the Allied offensive in Macedonia, which routed the Bulgarian army, was repeatedly mentioned in the Allied communiques.

The union of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes, for such is Jugo-Slavia, has been officially recognized by the United States Government and is represented in this country by their Minister, Mr. S. Y. Grouitch.

I think it is needless to go into details about their boundaries, excepting to state that Jugo-Slavia comprises the territory of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Crotia and Slavonia, and it is thought likely that the states of Serbia and Montenegro, also, will go to make up the new nation.

Although at present there are only the two main territory divisions, *i. e.*, (1) Bosnia and Herzegovina, and (2) Crotia and Slavonia, yet Jugo-Slav stamps were issued by three distinct districts, namely (1) Bosnia and Herzegovina, (2) Crotia, and (3) Slavonia, and it is my purpose to take up the various issues as above stated.

Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Bosnia and Herzegovina, is the most south-westerly province of Austria, with an area of 1,568 square miles and a population of 19,702. Its capital is Sarajevo, a town which has gone down into history as the scene of the murder of the Archduke Francis Ferdinand and his consort in 1914, and, therefore, as the starting point for the great world's conflict.

The Jugo-Slav stamps, as a whole, have consisted in the regular adhesives of the various provinces suitably overprinted. In Bosnia and Herzegovina, the pictorial issue of 1906 was chosen and surcharged DRZAVA S. H. S.—1918—BOSNA I HERCEGOVINA, some in Roman letters and some in native Cyrillian, in three lines, and on the smaller stamps (high values), in two lines. On some the original value at each side of the stamp was obliterated by printing black squares, or blocks, over them and then a new value was printed in the center of the stamp. The following is a list of those with Roman letter overprint:—3h olive green, 10h carmine, 20h dark brown, 25h deep blue, 60h on 50h dull violet, 90h on 35h myrtle green, 2k gray green, and 4k on 1k maroon. Those with Cyrillian surcharge are:—5h dark green, 30h green, 40h orange, 45h brown red, 50h dull violet, 80h on 6h orange brown, 3k on 3h olive green, and 10k on 2h violet. One error occurs in this set, namely in the 80h on 6h orange brown (Cyrillian type), where the square block over the left "6" was omitted.

A set similar to the above has just lately appeared, consisting of the Bosnia and Herzegovinian stamps of 1912-17, overprinted KRALJEVSTVO—S. H. S., and with a square shaped object partly obliterating the head of Francis Joseph. In some cases the original values are obliterated by square blocks and a new one printed. With the exception of the 45h on 80h and the 80h values, all are of the 1912-14 issue, while those two values are of the 1916-17 output. Those with Cyrillian surcharge are:—3h claret, 20h on 35h myrtle green, 45h on 80h orange brown, and 60h brown violet. Those with Roman letter overprint

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*25	.06	102	.02	139	.05
*26	.04	*102	.05	140	.02
27	.06	103	.05	141	.06
*28	.06	*106	.04	142	.40
31	.12	*107	.04	143	.07
33	.06	*108	.04	144	.03
34	.15	*109	.04	145	.02
*42	.06	*113	.17	147	.02
43	.01	114	.01	148	.03
44	.02	115	.01	*151	.03
44b	.05	116	.01	*152	.04
45	.01	*116	.02	*153	.07
46	.02	117	.01	154	.02
47	.02	*117	.02	155	.02
48	.13	118	.01	156	.02
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The four Bosnian newspaper stamps, namely 2h ultramarine, 6h violet, 10h rose, and 20h green, which were originally issued imperforate, were seized by the Jugo-Slavs and perforated 11½ for convenience in use, no doubt. Imperforate copies of the 2h ultramarine and 6h violet were also seized and overprinted "3" and "5", respectively, with square blocks obliterating the original value at each side.

Doubtless, what will prove the rarest of this issue are the special delivery and charity stamps in this issue, which were likewise surcharged as the pictorial 1906 issue. Scott's 181 and 182, special delivery, were thus overprinted, the 2h vermilion in Cyrillian, and the 5h deep green in the Roman lettering, DRZAVA—S. H. S. The 1916 charities, the 10h Prussian blue depicting a blind soldier, and the 15h red brown with wounded soldier, were surcharged DRZAVA—S. H. S., the first with the Cyrillian type and the second with the Roman.

The same surcharge was applied to the Bosnian dues of 1916, the overprint on the heller values being in black and on the krone values in red. The entire set of thirteen values, from 2h to 3k, received the surcharge which was alternately in the Cyrillian and Roman type, beginning on the 2h with the former and ending with the latter on the 3k.

(To be continued.)

DEATH OF GEORGE J. CARTER.

We are informed by E. H. Gammans of the sudden death of the Brooklyn dealer, George J. Carter. It occurred Sunday, Sept. 21. Only two or three days previously he had sent copy for the adlets which appeared Sept. 27. Mr. Carter's death was very unexpected. We have no story of his philatelic activities, but they extend over a long period of years, both as a dealer and collector. He was particularly interested in U. S. revenues, his album being a conspicuous example of his enthusiasm for these issues. He leaves a wide circle of friends and acquaintances and MEKEEL'S WEEKLY joins in the sympathy that will be extended to Mr. Carter's family.

OUR BOOK REVIEW.

The 11th edition of Bright & Sons' "A B C" descriptive priced catalog of the world's postage stamps Part 3 has appeared, and a review copy is before us. The catalog covers the countries of the world with the exception of Europe and the Colonies of European countries. It has been thoroughly revised up to the date of going to press and is well illustrated. The price is 70c postfree and it may be obtained from the publishers, 164 Strand, London, England. We shall not attempt to deal with prices quoted, but will call attention to the fact that the stamps of the United States are fully illustrated and their listing occupies twenty-four pages.

UNION MATCH CO.

By CHRISTOPHER WEST.

For beauty and effectiveness none of the Detroit match stamps can equal the stamp of the Union Match Co. As long as there are collectors of U. S. revenues, this lovely little adhesive will hold a high place in the regard of those to whom the private die issues make a special appeal. Nearly five million were issued and a few hundreds probably still exist so it is not likely ever to be much of a rarity or beyond the reach of the ordinary collector. Moreover, many of the copies available are in better condition than we expect to find the match stamps. The Detroit directories contain the following references:—

1879—Union Match Splint Co., foot of 13th St., Geo. Hargreaves, Pres., Geo. Upton, Sec.

1880—Union Match Co., 32 Moffett Bldg., T. C. Owen Pres., J. H. Meacham Sec. & Treas. Factory 21st & Hammond Sts.

1881—Tubal C. Owen lawyer, James H. Meacham publisher.

These references indicate a short existence and this is corroborated by the data given in the Boston Book:—

Die approved, September, 1880.
First issued, September, 1880.
Last issued, November 23, 1881.
210 stamps per sheet, (14x15).
4,929,000 issued, all in black on watermarked paper.

There are several interesting facts to be noted in regard to the Union stamp. It is one of the few and probably the last of the match stamps engraved by the American Bank Note Co.; it was printed both by that company and by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing at Washington; and its design is closely copied from the Wm. Bond Anchor Match stamp, (a National Bank Note Co. product), the general arrangement and the ornamentation being identical with the latter. Bond's anchor is replaced by the head of a young deer and the inscriptions are suitably altered, the figure "1" replacing the "4" in each corner circle. The reader will note also that the position of the words denoting value is reversed, ONE appearing at the *right* and CENT at the *left* instead of the usual arrangement with the inscriptions reading from left to right.

Stamps showing imprints can be identified as being either American or Bureau prints and those showing guide lines are quite certainly Bureau prints but at present there is no way of separating other copies. Probably all the Union stamps were printed from the one plate which originally bore the American B. N. Co. imprint No. 127.

Whether or not there was any connection between the Union Match Splint Co. and the Union Match Co. the writer cannot say. Match splints are the matches before they are dipped in the combustible material that forms the striking head. The Diamond Match Co. appears in the Detroit directory for 1881 as owning the Richardson factory and the directory for 1877 gives the Richardson Match Co. and the Union Mills Co. at the same address with the same officers. The last Schmitt & Schmittdiehl stamps were also issued in 1881. The reader may draw his own conclusions.

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A few weeks ago a man who claimed to be the South American representative of a bank note company, visited the manager of the stamp company—a firm which does a business of hundreds of thousands of dollars annually. As a matter of fact, the "South American representative" did not actually represent the bank note company, which is a reputable firm which has sometimes manufactured stamps for Latin-American Governments. The man actually represented the South American Government, and the bank note company had no knowledge of his plan. To the stamp company manager the "South American representative" outlined this proposition:

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EDITORIAL.

Remembered—Our big number last week made something of an impression and a number of our readers have remarked upon the energy and enterprise that compassed an issue of its size. Yes, we think that our managing editor who had charge of the advertising and our business manager under whose eye the printing was done are entitled to consideration. The advertising pages of the number were eloquent testimony to the well-being of commercial philately and the advertising contents were a directory of the stamp dealers in America and to an extent, elsewhere. It was a task to obtain all this advertising and shape it up; and then, it was no easy trick to get it properly into type. The reading contents of the issue were not neglected; and many think that we celebrated fittingly our longevity as marked by the 1500th number. We believe that it is advisable to have a big number every now and then, if for nothing more than to offer concrete evidence that there is an expansiveness about stamp collecting that all outsiders and some collectors themselves, do not realize.

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Offered—"If you continue to comment as you have occasionally in the past upon the great jumps in price taken practically by all good stamps," writes a dealer in the front lines, "I think that you should always emphasize the concurrence of prime condition with advanced prices, or else some mischief will be done. The present prices are something of a seven days' wonder and all that, and are well worth your eye, but they should be named only in the same breath with fine condition." Very well and truly said as stamps in ordinary and characterless condition do not rise above the level of price mediocrity. The old collection with many good stamps will be appraised at the low prices of some years ago; and we regret that such is the case, for the sake of argument, as while appreciating to the full the seemly stamp, we are of the opinion that some collectors do not exercise a "sweet reasonableness" in their condition and exactions. We wish that the general average of condition demands were higher even though the high spots that a few partizans touch in the name of condition are much too elevated.

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Right—A question of ethics, not to say moral principles, is presented by Mr. L. W. Morrissey, Takoma Park, D. C., who calls attention to the following description of a lot in an auction catalogue of stamps recently sold: Lot No. 543, Hawaii, 1859-65, numerals, 8 counterfeits. Mr. Morrissey says: "I haven't looked further through the catalogue and I don't know the general philatelic sentiment concerning the sale of counterfeit stamps but it does seem to me that the dissemination of counterfeits under any guise to the collecting fraternity is a most reprehensible practice and cannot be too strongly condemned and discouraged. I am surprised that any respectable dealer or auctioneer would be a party to it. Counterfeits probably have a proper place in museums and the files of recognized counterfeit detectors but the sale of the stamps in question does not appear to be so restricted. There are already enough obstacles in the way of securing new postal laws or rulings which will permit the use of United States postage stamp illustrations, without having philatelists appear as dealers in counterfeits." Mr. Morrissey's points are well taken and may not be successfully countered. We do not think that any apologist will try to put a different phase on the question or defend the public sale of counterfeits. We have no doubt but that the auctioneer who offered the Hawaiian numerals did so mechanically. Attention only need be directed to this ill-advised course to cause it to be abandoned. It is known that counterfeits in some cases have a value for reference or study purposes but it is beside the question to vend them in open market.

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Generous—A sage M. D. takes us down a peg. He writes: "I read with a smile your description of an evening at Nutt Knoll where Count Lapp de Booz and philatelic cronies are detained for the time being, as I am connected with a 'rest cure,' as you see. Now, it happens that in the searching history of each of the mental cases that come under our notice there has never been a patient with stamp collecting predilections. Consequently, it may be argued that stamps are a foil from mental enervation or distortion. However, if you will spend some time under our care, I think that the readers of your column will greatly benefit. You will be given a special rate and you can pay in Confederate covers." All of our Confederates have been lured from us by Messrs. Ashbrook, Ritchey, Knapp, *et al.*, and so there is no chance for us to have a well-earned rest.

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Advertising—As Mr. L. J. Ragatz says: "Here is positive proof that the designer of this ad is a stamp collector,—note the model letter-head, 'The Scott Stamp & Coin Co., Inc.'" Reference is made to a page ad in the *Saturday Evening Post* of September 13th, 1919, of the Russia Cement Co., in the foreground of which on a desk in the pictured announcement lies a sheet of paper on which, as close scrutiny reveals, is the legend aforesaid. Even though the name of the stamp company is limned none too plainly, we say that the ad that the Scott Stamp and Coin Co. receives is worth a good bit. Huzza, say we, to the illustrator and we should like him to tell us in confidence just why and how he selected from his teeming mind the name of a stamp firm for preferment in the big ad under discussion.

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Ideas—While on the subject of advertising, we may say a few words applicable to our own columns. A good many years ago, we contributed many advertising axioms to *Printers' Ink*, on the following lines: "The paper that in itself is a success is the one most likely to make the ads in it successful" and "If the best of mediums could make every ad in it pay, it would not be large enough to contain all the advertising that would be offered it." Here we have the ad and the medium and both must be right before good results will come to the advertiser. The best thing about most stamp ads is the stamps in connection with their prices mentioned in them. The best way to make a stamp ad distinctive is to name an attractive stamp in it at a low price. The new advertiser is the one who needs a helping hand as the old space-user can take care of himself and moreover is settled in his business routine. The new advertiser must be persistent if he has the same stamps for sale that hundreds of dealers had before him and dozens have to-day. Under ordinary conditions he has a long road to travel before he may rest at the half-way house to the summit, success. The quality of his stamps and their prices is the only means of shortening the climb.

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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

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The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Mr. Karl Koslowski sends for our inspection two most unusual margins taken from sheets of the 1c surface print, perforated 11. We say "margins" for unfortunately the stamps had to be detached for it seems that they were found in the Pontiac Post Office among a large lot of precancelled stamps which had been especially prepared for the Oakland Motor Car Company and consequently the clerk was unable to remove the sheets in question and as a result simply tore off the margin. On one of the margins we find the 1c plate number in green, No. 9517, and about half an inch away we find inverted a purple plate number, No. 9533, which is a direct impression from the 3c plate. On another sheet margin we have the same 1c plate number, No. 9517, in green in connection with a part of a direct impression of the 3c stamp in purple. These second purple impressions, certainly are not offsets but are direct impressions from the roller.

Mr. Frank Clark Cosby has shown us the upper left pane from sheet No. 9250 of the 1c surface print, perforated 11 wherein we find a large smear or blotch covering several stamps. Mr. Cosby tells us that he saw several sheets and that each one showed the identical imperfection. We are under the impression that this was caused by something hardening on the rubber roller which prevented it from taking up the right amount of ink from the plate to be transferred to the paper. We have seen similar varieties in the 3c offset print.

Mr. J. W. Welch informs us that he has located the 2c current series Documentary showing a distinct double impression. To quote from his letter, "I had the good fortune today to stumble onto two sheets of the 2c current documentary showing a wonderful double impression from the bottom up through the entire sheet. The bottom row is normal, the double impression or shift starts in the middle of the stamps in the next row from the bottom of pane and is wonderfully distinct all through the sheet. This gives me blocks showing the normal variety and the shift in combination.

These sheets were discovered by me accidentally as I was looking over some mail on the mail desk in our office. The mail clerk was perforating the stamps with the firm's initials and unfortunately had perforated the sheets showing the shift. They missed three, however, in the middle of one of the sheets."

It will be recalled that these revenues are printed by the offset method and as a result the double prints occur in the same manner as in the case of the 1c and 3c postage. To date we know of the following of the current series of documentary stamps with double print, 1c, 2c, 3c and 40c.

Mr. W. A. Langdon has located an envelope showing the 2c circular die in red in its proper place in the upper right corner but on the left of the envelope we find the oval 1c value inverted, half showing on the face and half on the back. Several weeks back we mentioned quite a number of similar freaks. It seems that the envelope printers used a lot of paper that had evidently been put aside as waste.

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(2) Inverted, reading up, 7 inverted.

Surcharged by New York Consolidated Card Co. of New York.
Surcharge in red in three lines CANCELLED—1917—N. Y. C. C. Co.
(1) Normal, reading down.
(2) Inverted, reading up.
Surcharge in black in large figures "17".
(1) Normal.
(2) Inverted.

Surcharged by the Russell Playing Card Co. of New York.
Surcharged in three lines in red 10-4-17—7 CTS—R. P. C. Co.
(1) Reading up. (This may also exist reading down but we have not seen it.)
Surcharged in red in three lines, 7c—R. P. C. Co.—1-25-18".
(1) Normal.
(2) Inverted.

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Surcharge by rubber stamp in magenta in two lines, very small letters ACT OF—1917.
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Surcharge by rubber stamp in magenta in one line ACT 1917.

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Surcharge by rubber stamp in magenta covering three stamps ACT OF 1917.
Surcharge in magenta red in three lines ACT OF 1919—7—CENTS.

Your editor would like to have submitted to him for chronicle any types that have been omitted. We hope to prepare a list very shortly of the "7c" surcharges on the new 1918 type of Playing Card Stamp and also a list of the "8" provisionals. Our material so far, however, is scanty and we would welcome information upon the subject.

ANGOLA.—Mr. W. H. Jopling, of Camborne, informs us that he has on hand copies of the recent surcharges of this Portuguese colony, viz: 2½c on 100 reis, D. Manuel, "Republica" and 2½c on 100 reis, D. Carlos; both with inverted overprint and double surcharge.—*Stamp Collecting.*

AUSTRIA.—The first stamps of the new Austria consisted of stamps of the old règime, overprinted "Deutschösterreich" (German Austria), the overprint reading diagonally across the stamp. Within the past few weeks these have been superseded by a new series, in definitive designs, and bearing the name "Deutsch-österreich" in Gothic lettering. On the 3, 6, and 12 heller stamps the design is a bugle; the 5, 10, 25, 45 heller and 1 krone stamps depict the new coat of arms of the German-Austrian State; and the remaining values, 20, 30, 40, and 50 heller, bear an allegorical design. The three designs are by Josef Franz Renner, and the stamps are printed at the State printing establishment at Vienna in sheets of 120 stamps.—*Stamp Collecting.*

BAVARIA.—Mr. Huntington Moffat has shown us two values, viz.: 10 and 15pf

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RUSH B. SMITH, NORRISTOWN, DEAD.

Norristown, Pa., Sept. 24.—Rush B. Smith died suddenly today at his home, 1349 Powel St. He was an extensive real estate owner, among his holdings being apartment houses, here and in Philadelphia. He was president of the Perless Paper Company and for more than quarter of a century was president of the Norristown School Board.

Mr. Smith, possibly in the seventies, was a real collector of the old school. Collected for many years and during that time accumulated a very fine collection, especially strong in rare revenues. Had such items as the 50c and $1 Proprietary on both the green and violet papers as well as the $5 on violet paper. I recall Mr. Smith's mentioning this latter especially, for I had been hunting for the same stamp on green paper for him for several years. Was an active member of the Phila. State Club up until a few years ago and his many friends in this vicinity will miss him.—Philip H. Ward, Jr.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—Our longtime advertiser, W. Weber, has removed from Rochester, N. Y., to Buffalo. His new address will be noted in his regular adlet space.

—The Lynn Philatelic Society will hold its fourth annual banquet on Tuesday evening, October 14, at the King Joy Co. restaurant, 311 Union St., Lynn, Mass. The managing editor has been invited to attend.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from Jules E. Cagnon, Mrs. M. E. Aitken, F. W. Lynes, Ernest Heberlein, M. P. Hynes.

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Croatia.

From Bosnia and Herzegovina we will next go to the provinces of Croatia and Slavonia, of which Agram, a city of cathedrals and universities, with a population of 61,000, is capital. It is also thought likely that Agram will become the capital of the entire Jugo-Slav state.

Taking up the issues of Croatia first, we find here that the current Hungarian stamps have been seized and overprinted S. H. S.—HRVATSKA. The first issue was on the Hungarian stamps of 1913, Scott's type A4 and only the 6f olive green and 50f lake on blue are reported as having been thus overprinted. Both stamps of the 1916 issue, viz.: 10f violet and 15f red, with portraits of the king and queen, were also surcharged. The same overprint was applied on the issue of 1916-18, the Reaper and House of Parliament types, and we have the following list: 2f orange brown, 3f red lilac, 5f green, 6f greenish blue, 10f rose red, 15f violet, 20f dark brown, 25f blue, 35f brown, 40f olive green, (all Reaper type); and 50f red violet, 75f dark blue, 80f olive green, 1k deep red, 2k bistre brown, 3k indigo and dark violet, 5k red brown and brown, and 10k lilac and red lilac, (all House of Parliament type). The issue of 1918, Reaper type with colored numerals on white ground, 10f rose and 15f violet, were likewise surcharged. In this overprint errors have also been seen; the 2h, 6h and 15h with inverted surcharge, and the 2h with double overprint. This surcharge is composed of three lines; the first is merely a bar at the top center of the stamp which is used sometimes to obliterate "Magyar kir. posta", but more often the value "filler"; the second line is S. H. S. in large capitals, which falls in the center of the stamp; and the third line is the word HRVATSKA which sometimes obliterates the value "filler", but more often the words "Magyar kir. posta", always falling at the extreme bottom of the stamp. The above described surcharge was the one applied to the first and second issues, and to the third issue Reaper type, but a slightly different overprint was adopted for the House of Parliament values which required a larger surcharge. This also was one of three lines; the first line, HRVATSKA fell at the extreme top of the stamps and served to obliterate "Magyar kir. posta"; the S. H. S. of the second line again fell in the center of the stamp, and—in the three "filler" values—the third line was a bar obliterating the word "filler", at the bottom of the stamp. The surcharge was practically the same on the "krone" values, excepting the letters of HRVATSKA and S. H. S. were smaller and closer together, and the value "krona" was obliterated by "kruna" (singular) and "krune" (plural), instead of a bar.

On the next issue, the stamps of 1918, bearing a portrait of King Charles in crown and coronation robe, a surcharge was placed so that the worthy Charles' crown was obliterated by a wheel-shaped ornament, the word "filler" by bars, the "Magyar kir. posta" by HRVATSKA, and again S. H. S. was in the center of the stamp. Three values are reported thus surcharged, the 10f carmine, 20f gray brown, and 25f blue.

Queen Zita was the next to suffer. The 40f olive green, bearing her portrait, was next seized, HRVATSKA placed over "Magyar kir. posta", a floral ornament over her crown, S. H. S. in the center of the stamp, under that two fancy bars were placed so that one of them obliterated her name, and a bar placed at the bottom over "filler". This value is the only one of this series seen and reported so far as having received this overprint.

The next issue was one of their own, and was apparently a jubilee set. The design was a nude man breaking his chains, with S. H. S. in the corners, HRVATSKA at the top, and "29 LISTO PADA 1918" below. There were four values—10f claret, 20f violet, 25f blue, and 45f olive gray; but this series must not be confused with the Laibach issue of Slavonia which also bears the portrait of a slave breaking his chains.

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There was also a variety of charity, special delivery, newspapers and dues issued from this region of Croatia. The regular charity issue of Hungary of 1916-17, 10f rose red, 15f dull violet, and 40f brown carmine, were overprinted with the standard surcharge, HRVATSKA—S. H. S., as was the 2f gray green and red special delivery stamp. The Hungarian newspaper stamp of 1914—(2f) orange—was the recipient of the same overprint, but with the coming of the general issue of postal adhesives, a regular newspaper stamp was issued, a 2f yellow value, having as its design S. H. S. in a circle in the center, DRZ. POSTA—HRVATSKA above, and with the numerals in both lower corners; this stamp was issued imperforate. The complete set of 1915-16 Hungarian postage dues, 1f to 100f, likewise was surcharged HRVATSKA—S. H. S.

Apparently no one has come upon a complete and perfect translation of the surcharges on the Bosnian and Hungarian stamps as yet. We do know that the letters "S. H. S." signify "Serbia, Croatia, Slavonia", but what DRZAVA, HRVATSKA, and KRALJEVSTVO, mean, remains to be discovered. I also know how difficult it is to procure well centered copies of the surcharge on the Hungarian stamps, and in some cases they are almost rarities.

I have only listed such stamps from Croatia as have actually appeared, but for many good and sufficient reasons, I feel confident a great many other values were similarly overprinted with the standard surcharge, all of which will no doubt appear in time.

Slavonia.

After listing the generous supply of stamps Croatia has given the collector, we are more than willing to turn to the third and last district that issued stamps for Jugo-Slavia, namely, Slavonia. The only town worth mentioning in this province, which is incorporated with Croatia, is Laibach, a railway center, which figured in Slavonia's first issue of postal adhesives. It was during the summer of 1918, when the Austrians were making their last attempt to break the Italian hold on the Piave, that the strong pro-Allied Slavonians gathered together at Laibach and rebelled against the tyranny of their Austrian masters. They immediately set up a form of government, and among its first official acts was the issue of postage stamps. It is widely known that this rebellion at Laibach was "the last straw that broke the camel's back", and forced the Austrain army to surrender to the Allies. Hence this first set has become known as the "Laibach Rebellion Issue". The issue comprised only six stamps, the 3f violet, 5f green, 10f carmine, 20f dark brown, 25f dark blue, and 40f buff, although I have heard rumors that three or four other values have appeared in Europe. The first three of these stamps are square in shape and depict a nearly nude slave breaking his chains in the rays of the sun of freedom. There is a panel at both the top and bottom of the stamps upon which DRZAVA S. H. S. is inscribed, at the top in Cyrillian and below in Roman type. The three higher values are identical with the lower ones, excepting the stamps are almost twice as high and depict the entire body of the slave, whereas the lower values show only from the waist up.

Some months later, five further values appeared, all higher than the previous ones, but it is not certain whether this is a continuation of the Laibach issue, or a separate set entirely. All five of the stamps are of the same dimensions as the higher values of the Laibach issue, but with different designs. They are the 50f green and 60f dark blue (Peasant with pigeons), 1k vermilion and 2k blue (nude child with palm), and 5k lake (noted man); a vertical pair of this last named value has been discovered imperforate between.

The postage dues of Slavonia are of rather large dimensions and the design is the same throughout. A large numeral is in the center with DRZAVA—S. H. S. in Cyrillian above it, and in Roman below, the whole design being in a leaf-shaped enclosure with a fancy background outside. There are seven values so far:—5f, 10f, 20f, and 50f, all carmine; and 1k, 5k, and 10k, all dark blue.

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The provisional issue surcharged "Deutschoesterreich" on the last issue of Austria having been used up, a new set of stamps has been placed on sale. These labels are rather narrow, tall rectangles, 17x26 mm., exactly, and perforated 12½. Up to this writing, twelve values have been issued, in three designs. The higher values, to 20 Kronen, are expected soon.

The 3h, 6h, and 12h have a posthorn for the principal feature of the design. Value appears at bottom, and "Deutsch-österreich" at top, inscriptions being in colorless letters. The name of the engraver, J. F. Renner, appears at bottom, below design, in very small caps.

The 20, 30, 40, and 50 heller show an allegorical design, representing a man, clad in a smith's apron, tending a vine, which probably is intended to represent the infant republic, but suggests barbed-wire entanglements instead, owing to poor drawing. In these denominations the figure of value appears but once, in a rectangular tablet above the word "heller."

The 5, 10, 25, and 45 heller, and the 1 Krone, are of the third design, and it is here that we see the startling transformation that has taken place in the coat-of-arms of the former "Eastern Empire".

The double-headed eagle, looking both east and west, emblematic of empire, has lost his crown and one of his heads, the eastern member. The remaining head is decked with a cap, suggestive of those used by newspaper artists in depicting dignified headgear for majestic members of the safe-movers' union, and other puissant organizations of that ilk.

Instead of the sword and orb which he formerly clutched in his talons, he now holds a sickle and a hammer, emblematic of peaceful husbandry, and knocking!

To an ornithologist the bird appears somewhat emaciated, but this is also in keeping with the shrunken dimensions of the once-extensive empire.

Colors, as named in the color nomenclature, are given below:

3h deep grey.
5h pure green.
6h yellow-orange.
10h carmine.
12h bluish green.
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25h blue.
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50h blue.
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The stamps appear to be surface-printed, and the gum is odoriferous.

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Stick around the Jugoslavs when they are handing things out, is the up-to-date tip of Lieutenant James E. Reagan, United States Army Sanitary Corps, of Knoxville, Tenn.

Lieutenant Reagan did not stick around to obtain gifts. In fact, he did not know anything about that feature of his acquaintanceship with Prince Ivan Palecek, Governor of the Department of Hrvatske, in the new born republic of Jugoslavia, until he had returned to Paris last July, after 5½ months' service as adjutant and paymaster of the American detachments in Jugoslavia. He was surprised then, and he came back to this country via Hoboken the other day still surprised and perplexed by one item of his baggage.

This was a collection of 53,000 stamps —postage stamps, express stamps, tax stamps and miscellaneous stamps—issued by the republic of Jugoslavia and by the aspiring but short-lived republic of Baranya, which was later incorporated into Jugoslavia. They are uncancelled first issues, originally turned out for the Austro-Hungarian post, but now bearing across their faces the names of the new post-bellum governments. Among the 53,000 there are 51 separate varieties. They arrived at his Paris address as a gift from Prince Palecek and as souvenirs of a pleasant friendship in the Balkans that began, as has many another friendship, over a bottle of champagne.

These stamps have a catalogue value of $15,000, Lieutenant Reagan declares, and adds that if he could have remained longer in Paris after they came he could have placed them on the Bourse. But the stamps are not dealt in on the New York Exchange, and to a stranger in New York and to the stamp collecting world they are just 53,000 bits of brightly colored paper, unless someone can be found who knows the ropes that lead to converting them into cash.—*Boston Sunday Post.*

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Misnamed—A correspondent hits off a subject for "pet peeves" of stamp collectors in the following contribution: "The following is from a price-list of one of the large stamp firms. '50 very fine varieties, like *rare* China, Japan, Hong Kong, etc. Price, 20c.' Think of it, fifty stamps, some rare, for twenty cents. It makes me wonder what adjective would be used in trying to sell British Guiana, No. 13, only one of which is known to exist." We suppose that the stamp would be "most uniquely unique" in trade parlance. It is fitting that the seller of stamps have a good sense of the perspective and hold his "rares" in leash until worthy game is sighted. The stamp dealer should set about "Preserving the sweetness of proportion and expressing itself beyond expression."

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Shattered—In August, 1919, we printed a table of values of foreign coins that caused readers to pepper us with hot shot and made us afraid to show our head until now. The table was not up to the minute by any means; and Mr. Paul O. Garretson gently asked: "Therefore if the *ante-bellum* values given are as antiquated today as similar statistics would be concerning the price of pork chops, why print them at all?" This remark, Lardinius, is not entirely beside the question. Ah, but let us to more pleasant contemplations; and seek to blame someone else. Mr. A. C. Roessler, that nimble-witted defender of philatelic rights is speaking: "I bought goods in Germany in 1914 for 1,000 marks and the bill was made out accordingly. I tried to pay several times but the censor returned the letters. When postal communication was re-established, I wrote to the man and he sent the bill again in marks which he asked me to pay in dollars at the rate of 24c! A short time ago, English money was higher than U. S. and I paid in British money because the bills were made out that way,—and they should have been. Now, some British dealers ask to be paid in dollars because they get about 20% more. Unless we have a ruling made soon our dealers will get poor cards in every deal." The fluctuations of exchange should be recognized on some equitable basis that would be fair in intention even though it might not always work out invariably justly. Here is a question of financial ethics whose solution may be a simple one when some of our great minds apply themselves to it.

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By H. M. WICKMAN.

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At that time I gave you correspondence which I had received from the Postal authorities in the city of San Salvador, which advised that no overprint was placed upon the watermarked stamps.

In securing these stamps for comparison I find that at the first glance one would pass them along as genuine, but upon closer inspection you will find there is a vast difference.

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The ink is of a lighter shade on this stamp.

In comparing a true copy please note that the figure "5" is on the lefthand outer edge of the building and, the figure "1" placed on the green leaving one millimeter of white space between them, and, the two figures "1" of the year date are directly over and under the letter "S".

The stamps at that time were printed in rows of four; on the first two stamps at the left, the letter "i" in the overprint covers the door of the building; on the third stamp it is raised so that it shows a white square; on the fourth, a good view of the door may be had.

If you possess a copy not measuring up to this, please pass it over to your Society to be placed in their book of imitations.

The stamp is genuine but the overprint is not, and it behooves every one to become familiar with stamps placed upon the market for Chicanery.

sensible writer you ever had." The following despatch appeared in the Detroit *Free Press* of September 21st, 1919: "Greaseball, Conn.: Revenue officers piped a school of catfish staggering with their fins in Sapp Creek, sampled the water and immediately went coo-coo. Followed the creek to where it made a bend in Rip Milliken's cellar and found Rip boiling the glue off a vatload of old-fashioned postage stamps. Rip put up an awful battle as long as his postage lasted but the revenue fellows beat him into the third zone and locked him up. The judge told the old boy to stick to postal cards." Here is a pretty kettle of fish. Can it be that the Count has eluded the watchful eye of the retainers at Nutt Knoll and has yielded to the seductions of the old life? We reported that he was fortifying himself against the drought by buying up great quantities of cheap unused stamps whose original gum contains an alcoholic content. Yet, we find it hard to believe that the urbane Count Lapp de Booz should adopt the rough-and-ready appellation of Rip Milliken, but the Count has been known to do strange things in his day. We are not yet ready to dismiss the subject before we ask consideration of the latest report that has reached us from one of the big stamp auctioneers. It seems that a "man about thirty-five, with black eyes and hair and a fidgeting manner and weight about 160 pounds" bought "so crazily" at his sale about all the unused blocks, or better, in it that he indeed was a local irritant and the observed of all observers. He was unknown to all the habitues of the auction room and when asked his name by the auctioneer, he said "Blue". The mysterious stranger never called for his purchases and the auctioneer sounds a warning against this "irresponsible individual." Is it possible that "Blue" was misunderstood for "Booz" The Count's enunciation of familiar words has been thick at times; and then the penchant for original gum. We wish that we really knew that strange creature, Count Lapp de Booz.

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I simply mention this to show you that if you are an ADVANCED COLLECTOR of the issues of our country, you are losing out if you are not on my list. I was the first to have the compounds, the perf. 12½, the 20c part perf., the black error envelope, the red error envelope, the imperf. rotary coils, etc. Has any dealer been able to supply all of these things? As we say in the South, "I reckon not." Therefore, drop me a line, tell me what you collect in U. S. and I will do the rest. No old issues for sale at present.

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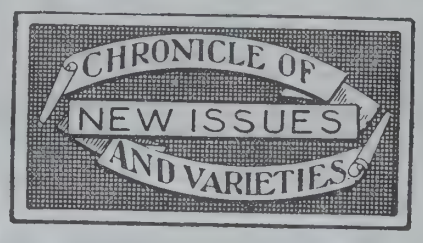

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

United States.—In a recent chronicle we mentioned the finding of two sheets of 2c unwatermarked, imperforated vertically and perforated 11 horizontally, and as a matter of record desire to state that the plate numbers as given at the time were transcribed incorrectly. These should have read No. 9191 and No. 9442 instead of No. 9191 and No. 9494 as given. It may be of interest to mention that the first sheet was somewhat off center, while the second sheet was fairly well centered.

As a result of the finding of the above, your editor has been able to locate the left half of the sheet from the lower left pane of plate No. 8206 of the 3c engraved, type I, unwatermarked, imperforated horizontally and perforated 11 vertically. This part of sheet was found in Denver some months back, and if I remember rightly was mentioned in the Weekly at the time. Very shortly after, an entire pane was found in Cleveland, and this was broken up by a New York dealer. This part sheet, which, by the way, your editor has acquired, is printed from a worn plate, and as a result some of the stamps in the center are of a very light shade, while those at the bottom are quite dark.

Mr. P. F. Robertson writes to inform us that he is the fortunate finder of a pane from sheet No. 9171 of the 2c perforated 11, unwatermarked showing a distinct double impression. We have not seen the variety and consequently can furnish no details until we have had the pleasure of viewing the stamp. We found in Philadelphia sometime back the same stamp in what we at first thought was a double impression, but on closer inspection came to the conclusion that it was simply a blurred print on dry paper.

One or two other things have recently been brought to our attention in the way of further errors of envelopes, current engraved stamps printed on the back, etc., but we hesitate to mention them until we have seen the varieties with our own eyes, for we recall our experience in recently listing the 3c circular die envelope printed in green. After a great amount of correspondence, have at last run down the story, have found the gentleman supposed to have purchased the variety at the Cincinnati Post Office, and he tells me that they are nothing more than the 3c green of the seventies some having been turned back for redemption.

We wish especially to thank Mr. F. L. Belanger for a very large and extended list of the provisional Playing Card stamps, but these were all mentioned in the list which we gave in last week's issue with the exception of one minor variety, namely, the stamp of the Standard Playing Card Co. in purple with the figure "7" omitted.

We are also pleased to acknowledge notes of interest from Mrs. W. E. Underwood and Messrs. C. M. Breder, Nathan Relin and P. J. Kranz.

Belgium.—Adjt. Henry Hooreman informs us that this Country will soon run riot in varieties of postage dues. He writes:—"After the issue of 1915 had been surcharged with name of city and date 1919, as has already been chronicled, the information now comes that the older issue will be overprinted. The values of the old issue to be surcharged are 5c pale green, 10c pale rose, 20c olive green, 30c pale blue and 50c dark gray. With all the names of places and different years to come, a complete collection becomes impossible. These stamps will be surcharged and when used they will be cancelled as an ordinary stamp is."

Cilicia.—An interesting lot of provisional stamps that were recently issued in Cilicia (Asia Minor) under French *régime*, has just reached us. There are at least sixty to seventy varieties, some of which are already fetching very high prices. So far five distinctly different issues can be traced. The French Authorities made use of all the Turkish stamps, some recent issues, others forty years old, found in various Post Offices, and all were overprinted with handstamps of which three varieties are known so far. The overprint consists of the word "CILICIE", and it is a blessing that inverted or double surcharges have not been chronicled yet. The fifth issue bears the word "CILICIE" in very small Gothic type and the letters "T.E.O." (Occupation of Enemy Territory). We have noticed the following varieties:—

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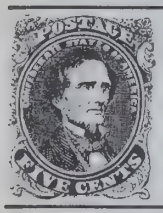

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—Lieut. Sir Arthur Whitten Brown, who accompanied Capt. Alcock on his historic non-stop flight across the Atlantic, will tell the story of the adventure at the Academy of Music, Philadelphia, October 16. The lecture will be given under the auspices of the Engineers' Club of Philadelphia, of which Jos. A. Steinmetz is the president. Lieut. Brown will be the guest of Mr. Steinmetz, who is also president of the Aero Club of Pennsylvania. The local stamp collectors are especially urged to hear the story of the flight.

—"I quote the following from an encyclopedia: 'Christmas Id.—A British island in the Pacific, with some guano deposits. Another Christmas Island annexed to Great Britain in 1888, lies about 250 miles S. W. of Java, is six miles long by four broad, partly volcanic, partly coralline in structure. There is a third Christmas Island off Cape Breton'."—W. HAYWARD.

—There has been an accession to the ranks of the down-town dealers in Chicago in the person of Mr. B. L. Voorhees of LaGrange, Ill., who may be found in a well-equipped office in the Union Bank Building. Mr. Voorhees now gives his undivided attention to the stamp business, and he will make a strong feature of his auction sales, as before.

—"Sept. 27 issue came today, worth waiting for. When you say 'Before you lies a great paper', *You sed it!* It will be an inspiration to collectors and dealers for a long time."—A. A. LEVE.

—W. T. Wilson, the Birmingham, England, dealer, has sent us some catalogs of his October sale of British Colonials and desires that we shall place them with interested parties. This sale has been advertised in our columns, but we are positive that insufficient emphasis was placed upon the character of the fine lots offered for sale. Such countries as Ceylon, Mauritius, New South Wales and India are listed in a richness that must appeal to the collectors of the rare old issues. Four full page plates of illustrations illuminate the text.

"BILL BLOSS" IN LONDON.

"Bill Bloss" (the pseudonym of a well-known American writer on Philately) has been visiting London and is giving the readers of MEKEEL'S WEEKLY his impressions of Philately over here. He was especially struck with the stamp shops and offices in the Strand, and says he has seen nothing in America to compare with these shops. Wherever he went he was cordially welcomed—*that*, I think, is the most notable characteristic of the London stamp trade—and what surprised him more than anything, he was not urged to buy! "In fact," writes Bill Bloss, "I don't believe the English dealer ever urges his clients to buy his wares—he seems quite reluctant to sell them!"

How true that is. I know dealers in London who are as bad as any antiquary for clinging to their treasures.

Once in a dealer's office in Holborn I witnessed an obstinate and determined refusal on the part of the dealer to sell certain stamps. The customer was eager to buy; his cash was ready, but the dealer was disinclined to sell, and from saying "he would rather keep them" at last got to a very angry refusal to sell them. At last the would-be buyer gave it up and went. Naturally, I asked the dealer why he wouldn't sell. "Oh, I don't like that chap!" was all he would give me by way of explanation.

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If one would happen to pick up an old edition of Bright's catalogue of "The World's Postage Stamps, Postcards, Envelopes, etc.," Part II Postcards, Envelopes, etc., one would find under United States Post Cards: "1873 1 cent brown (with grille)" and "1875-9 1 cent black (with grille)", etc.

These were listed as varieties of the normal cards.

Many collectors, as well as I, have pondered over the list and the reason for it and perhaps, like I did, searched and searched for a postal card with a "grille" on the imprinted stamp of the likeness of the grille on the postage stamps of 1867-1870.

Never finding any, I made inquiries through the philatelic press and by correspondence with collectors of postal cards. Not an inkling did I learn about any "grilled" cards. Later, when I compiled a list of United States postal cards, I felt convinced that "there ain't no such animal" as a postal card with grille, so I eliminated all mention of them from my list.

Soon afterward the tenth edition of Bright's catalogue appeared (dated 1914) and its list of U. S. postal cards was found to be re-arranged in accordance with my list which had been published a short time previously. And the "grilled" cards were left out.

For several years I continued to ponder over the whys and wherefores of the former lists containing grille postal cards, but did not arrive at any satisfactory conclusion in what I am pleased to call my mind. During this year, however, the matter has been explained to me and one of the "grilled" cards has been shown to me and I have also found several of them in my collection.

There appears to be considerable differences in the texture of paper and we find many varieties in the postal card paper, not only in the early days of the postal card but at the present time. I had noted smooth finished card and rough card; sometimes so rough that I deemed the card worthy of being an exceptional variety. I had also noted that when a card was immersed in water it caused the finish to soak off, leaving a porous surface showing the weave of the screen upon which the card, in its pulp state, was made. In other words, the size was removed.

I have one of the "grille" postal cards before me as I write. The surface of the card is indented with little depressions about the size of a pin point, all set out in diagonal rows and very close together. The space between each depression is not much larger than the depression itself. At first glance one thinks the depressions are diamond shaped, owing to the diagonal row formation, but while the impression thus arrived at is probably the correct one, nevertheless the furthest point of the indentation is curved or blunt. The grill is very lightly impressed.

In paper making, especially for heavy paper, there are very many different kinds of rollers for the paper to pass under and over, and the finer the paper, the more rollers. While these rollers are mostly of very highly polished iron, or iron with a brass covering, some of them, for various purposes in the manufacture of paper, have corrugated surfaces which produce ribs or grills. I am, therefore, inclined to believe that the grilled postal card is due to the manner in which the card was made and not a "grille" applied for a specific safety purpose like the adhesive postage stamps were grilled.

The advisability of listing the "grille" cards is an open question. I find I have the small Lincoln card (red) of 1911 with the identical "grille" of the 1875 postal card. In manufacturing the paper, a superior finished product may eliminate the apparent grilled surface of it, so I am of the opinion that the "grille" is due to the "weave" of the paper and that every number of the United States postal cards may be found, if diligently searched for, with "grille."

While I will search out the grilled cards in my collection and always note it as a variety and also include a note in my forthcoming list of postal cards that such varieties of the paper exist, I will not classify such paper differences and make them of catalogue rank, because most of the cards show more or less of

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—Counterfeit $5 W. S. S. have been located in Newark, N. J., and Philadelphia, Pa. Thus far only a few hundred dollars' worth of the bogus stamps have been negotiated, but it is believed that the extent of the fraud will reveal a wide circle of operations.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from George B. Sloane, W. F. Ferguson, M. A. Raymond, Jno. W. Dodge, Harold J. Snyder, C. M. Breder, Louis Wittstock, Jr., W. G. Hoffman, B. H. Drake, A. A. Leve.

—W. L.—For pictures of U. S. stamps get Bright's Catalog. For U. S. stamps at wholesale watch the columns of the WEEKLY.

—Collectors of Yonkers, N. Y., and vicinity who are interested in the formation of a local stamp club will do well to communicate with G. W. Horton, Box 201, Yonkers, N. Y.

—Otto Haker of Toronto, Can., was a recent visitor to Boston, where he made the rounds of the dealers and renewed old acquaintanceships.

—Wm. F. Ferguson calls our attention to the fact that persons doing business with British dealers can save money by using bank drafts instead of P. O. money-orders. We pass this suggestion along as of value to our readers.

A PHILATELIC DICTIONARY.

By B. W. H. POOLE.

(Continued from page 344.)

SWEDEN.—An important kingdom of northern Europe. Postage stamps were first issued in July, 1855.

SWITZERLAND.—A confederation or republic of twenty-two cantons in the centre of Europe. Postage stamps were issued in the canton of Zurich in 1843. Other cantons followed suit and in 1850 the first stamps for the whole confederation were issued.

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III. The letter "T" overprinted on various stamps of Abyssinia indicates they are postage due stamps.

IV. The letter "T" shown in each of the four corners forms the only inscription shown upon the postage due stamps of the Dominican Republic.

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VI. Many of the stamps of Tasmania were punctured with a large "T" for use on official correspondence.

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(To be continued.)

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Three months ago L. B. Dover, Overland, Mo., began a campaign for WEEKLY subscriptions and Sept. 13 49 subscriptions were credited. During the past month the firm has led all contestants with 24 new names and with a total of 73 makes a splendid showing. There are four firms to whom we desire to give special credit for work done during the past month, the record including all subscriptions received up to Sept. 30:—

L. B. DOVER,	24
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EDITORIAL.

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Benighted—A philatelic friend who conducts a progressive shop devoted to the sale of periodicals, toys, etc., in an advanced neighborhood, sells stamps as well. He likes the associations of stamps and does what he can to direct the budding philatelic instinct of his community. It happened that one ardent boy bought a pane of sixty stamps for one dollar at one fell swoop, at this store, and it so happened that several adults were present when the transaction was made. Their bewilderment and curiosity were almost painful to behold. One man insisted that the labels were some kind of trading stamp, and the other men found the explanation of the rudimentary principles of collecting almost too much of a strain for their gigantic intellects. By the wagging heads of the customers, it was seen that they had stumbled on to a mystery that afforded their minds strenuous gymnastics. These men were of general intelligence and successful in their vocations, even though philately was a sealed book to them. What we wish to accomplish is to so advertise stamp collecting among the outside world as to make those who will have none of it know that it exists, at any rate.

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Examined—An analysis was made by a stamp dealer recently that reflects intimate thoughts of the man who follows stamps commercially and who knows them better than any other commodity. We have heard how stamp dealers are regarded by collectors and those whose business seems to be more substantial than that of the stamp handler but now we have the views of a dealer on himself and in a measure, his fellow dealers. In effect this dealer said: I played with stamps as a boy, as a youth I collected them and then began to traffic in them. I spent an aggregate of time over them that would be almost unbelievable, if reduced to hours, and I absorbed their suggestions and their possibilities. It may be said that I have studied stamps for twenty years, earnestly and hopefully; and so, after an apprenticeship served faithfully I have gained a knowledge of stamps and conditions surrounding them that stands me in good stead. Out of my experience I am rewarded by the fruits of a successful business. The point is if I had devoted the same amount of time and thought to a more material line, say, iron, linen, or what you will, would I not have achieved a greater success in a dollar sense? I think that I would have, but of course I chose stamps because of a liking for them in the same way that another man selects something for his life work in which he probably has an interest. I maintain that the stamp dealer who makes money deserves every penny he gets, as in all likelihood, he would have done as well, if not better, in another line in which he invested the same care and study.

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Query—A reader inquires: "Is Nutt Knoll conducted by my whilom friend, Luce Nutt, graduate of I do not know how many institutions of learning and with a string of degrees that puts to shame the buttons on the tail of the oldest rattler? The last time that I saw Luce Nutt, he was busily working out his theory that he could hold converse with the speaking likenesses on the stamps and thus acquire the wisdom of the ages. If this distinguished gentleman is running the philatelic rest cure that has been mentioned by you at different times, I would give a penny black to hear, unobserved, the midnight discussions of Luce Nutt and Count Lapp de Booz on abstruce philatelic problems. Cannot you sneak a shorthand reporter on them some time for the benefit of your readers who recognize in the Count perhaps the greatest philatelic genius of all times?"

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Reverse—There is another side to the picture shown in another paragraph and a wave of philatelic interest manifests itself where it was not especially looked for. Willet H. Cornwell, State Senator, Chicago, told us that he collected stamps some years ago and had dealt in them. He said that Maclay Hoyne, Chicago, State's Attorney, ran a stamp company from Mr. Hoyne's home on Michigan Avenue about the time of the World's Fair at Chicago in 1893. Then, George K. Schmidt, one of Cook County's Assessors, who is Republican Committeeman of the 25th ward, mentioned his collection of stamps and we know that it is a good one. Too, Charles Krutckoff, also an Assessor, is, or was, a subscriber to this paper; and as for Samuel M. Hamilton, Assistant City Attorney, Chicago, he once published a lively stamp paper down in Illinois. So, stamp collecting is not exactly "like hidden lamps in old sepulchral urns."

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Hold—A reader upspeaks: "I have often wondered why collectors make such a fuss when once in a while they receive a stamp that is a little mussed up. When you consider all the fine canceled copies that dealers rave about, you must confess that the percentage of mutilated copies is very small; and anyway, after a two cent stamp does its duty in carrying a message for you, why say more? The stamp was bought to be used." Did you notice "the fine canceled copies that dealers rave about"? This neat little counter should smooth away a wrinkle from the brow of the post office clerk.

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Off—An Indianapolis reader shows up Burleson by exhibits Nos. 1 and 2. The first is a letter sent special delivery; it was dated May 22nd, 1919, and was nothing more than a three-cent stamped envelope. The fee, as usual, was claimed by office of first address. The other example is a special delivery letter that weighed two ounces and was sent May 22nd, 1919, with only four cents in stamps besides the special delivery. A newspaper clipping tells of one of those hesitating letters that require years to travel a short distance. However, a previous administration deserves the ticket for this. "However, there are just as many sleepy collectors as mail clerks, wadda you think?" asks our correspondent,—but we have not the space to say what we think.

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LACOUR'S MATCHES.

By CHRISTOPHER WEST.

G. W. Gaffit & Co.

For many years collectors have puzzled over the peculiar facts in connection with this stamp and altho the entire truth regarding it may never be known, the information now available will clear up most of the mystery regarding it.

The Boston Book gives the following data:—

Die approved, June 7, 1867.
First issued, July 24, 1867.
Last issued, April, 1872.
210 stamps per sheet, (14x15).
14,050,370 issued on old paper.
2,126,880 issued on silk paper.

"This stamp was ordered by G. W. Gaffitt & Co. of New York, and they were the only parties known in any way in connection with it. This fact also explains the overprint 'G. W. G. & CO' with various dates, which is commonly found on the stamp and the initials are those of this firm. Although not issued until 1867, this overprint is found dated '1865'. *Why* this is so is an open question."

Let us see if we cannot close that open question. As early as 1843 Mitchell Lacour appears in the New York directories in the match business at 44 Stanton St. In 1844-'46 Michael Lacour is listed in the match business first on Cherry St. and later on John St. From 1850 until 1864 he appears nearly every year, for several years at or near 30th St. and 2nd Avenue and after 1857 at 134 E. 49th St. Except for a short time about 1868 he appears to have been out of the match business after 1864, and is not listed in the directories at all after 1872-'73.

George W. Gaffit is listed on 2nd Avenue not far from 30th St. as early as 1847. From 1855 on his house address was 86 E. 31st St., where Lacour also lived for many years. Commencing about 1858 Gaffit is listed as a match manufacturer at 134 E. 49th St.—the same address as Lacour's factory. The directories for 1865 to 1873 list G. W. Gaffit & Co. as match manufacturers at the 49th St. address. In 1868 the street numbers were changed and No. 134 became No. 218. In 1871-'72 both the Gaffit firm and Lacour had business addresses at 218 E. 49th St. and downtown at 95 Liberty St. Gaffit appears in the directories until about 1880 but is not listed as being in the match business after 1872.

Just what connection between Lacour and Gaffit was the writer has been unable to learn, but it is evident they were business associates. Probably they were related and Lacour may have been the "Co" of G. W. Gaffit & Co. It is significant that the Gaffit firm commenced just after Lacour had apparently gone out of the business.

The first Gaffit overprint was dated 1865 because the Gaffit firm commenced business that year and has nothing to do with when the stamps were issued. Only two overprints have been noted by the writer:—

(*a*)	(*b*)
G. W. G. & Co. 1865	G. W. G. & Co. APRIL 1870

Overprint "a" has been noted in red and in black on old paper only. Overprint "b" has been noted in black on old and on silk paper. Stamps without overprints are considerably scarcer than those with them.

The stamp is one of the later productions of Butler & Carpenter and all were printed in Philadelphia and in black. The full face portrait is undoubtedly Michael Lacour. At the top LACOUR'S MATCHES appears with NEW YORK just beneath. The numeral "1" is found in a circle at either side near the top. Below the numeral at the left is "ONE" and at the right "CENT". The whole forms an upright rectangle of the standard 1c size.

No pair of the Lacour-Gaffit stamp has been noted on any paper. Single copies are found on thin, medium and thick old paper, the experimental silk paper of 1870 and the full silk paper used after August, 1871. Copies on the full silk paper are quite scarce, especially without overprint.

A NICARAGUA CHECK LIST.

By OTTO C. REYMAN.

This is a Check List of 1918 and 1919 surcharges on Nicaragua stamps of the issue of 1914. The following stamps are surcharged in three lines with

Vale media centavo de cordoba or Vale 1 centavo de cordoba

and are either Scott's type A-24 for the 3, 15 and 25 centavos stamps or Scott's No. A-25 for the 4, 6, 10, 20 and 50 centavos stamps.

Surch.	Orig. Value	Type.	Color of surch.
medio	6 centavos	A25	black
	10	A25	black
	15	A24	black
	25	A24	black
	50	A25	black
	50	A25	red
un	3	A24	black
	6	A25	black
	10	A25	black
	15	A24	black
	20	A25	red
	20	A25	black
	25	A24	black
	25 surch. Official	A25	black
	50	A25	black
dos	4	A25	black
	6	A25	black
	10	A25	black
	20	A25	red
	25	A24	black
	50 surch. Official	A25	black
	5	A18	red, imperf. surch. B Dpto Zelaya
cinco	6	A25	black
	15	A24	black
1	3	A24	black
2	4	A25	black
5	6	A25	black
5	15	A24	red
Por 2 centavos	20	A25	red
Por 2 centavos	20	A25	black

The varieties consist of inverted "u" for "n," dropped "i," missing "s" in centavos, missing "a" in "Vale," missing "e" in "de" and in "Vale," wide and narrow spacings between figure of value and centavo and double surcharges.

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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Mr. Gerald Mongeon sends us a newspaper clipping wherein the public's attention is called to a counterfeit of the $5 blue, Franklin War Saving Stamp. It seems that the Secret Service men found that several thousand dollars' worth had been sold in Newark.

This counterfeit is made by the photographic process and the stamp is a darker shade of blue than the genuine and is slightly smaller. The horizontal lines beside the portrait of Franklin in the original do not exist in the counterfeit, the background being of shallow color.

Mr. Percy M. Mann mentioned to your editor that he had heard of counterfeit postage stamps having recently been found in Milwaukee but we have been unable to learn any of the details. There is little wonder that we have not had a substantial crop of counterfeit postage stamps for the poorly executed offset prints would have been quite easy to imitate.

In further reference to our recent notes regarding provisional "Narcotic" surcharges from Peoria, Mr. P. F. Robertson now favors us with the set consisting of the 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 25 and 40 cents surcharged in large capitals with serifs, in purplish red. The surcharge is applied by means of a rubber stamp to the current series of documentaries.

Through the kindness of Mr. F. L. Belanger we are able to add to the list of "7 cents" provisional playing card stamps given in our chronicle of October 4th.

Used by A. Dougherty.
Surcharged in red in two lines in large capitals "A D 1917".

He also shows us copies of the small Russell Playing Card Co. stamp, surcharge dated "1-1-18," reading up and down with "7 CTS" in large letters and a similar variety reading up with the "7 CTS" in smaller capitals.

Messrs. G. E. Holft, George Soulman and others have sent us notes which are appreciated.

BARANYA.—A set of new stamps has been sent us by C. G. Dietrich. Its genesis is shown in the letter accompanying the set. Mr. Dietrich writes:—"I enclose a set of Baranya stamps for your inspection. This issue was made by the French and Jugo-Slav forces after their occupation of the Hungarian Comitat of Baranya (Siebenburgen), in February and March of the current year. There are no fewer than fifty varieties known. The overprint block was made for twenty-five stamps and the fourth and fifth stamps on the fourth row have the year in considerably smaller figures than the rest. Each sheet of 100 contains therefore eight stamps overprinted with a 1919. This, however, does not apply to the values which were overprinted with the very large 1919 type, such as the 40 on 2 filler, 45 on 5f and 1.05 on 2f." The surcharging is done in black with the exception of the 5f green, which is overprinted in carmine in two lines "1919—Baranya".

BELGIUM.—We have received from Adjt. Henry Hooreman an interesting letter giving us several items of news which we quote:—

"The 10c carmine King Albert with helmet was issued July 19, 1919, and the engravers were J. Enschede & Son, Haarlem, Holland. The first issue has been exhausted and the total number printed is yet unknown. A new printing of several million will appear shortly along with the complete set and every applicant will receive not more than 200 copies of the 1c to 50c values and 50 copies of the 1 to 10 francs.

"The 10c King with helmet was printed in sheets of 5x5 or 25 copies, with a small figure or control at the bottom. Controls 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, the latter figure reversed, and sheets with no control thus furnish seven varieties altogether. As every applicant received only five copies of this stamp, complete sheets are very hard to procure. There are two perforations, 11x11½ and 11½x11½, and there are two shades, vermilion and carmine. The color is fugitive and does not stand water.

"The Liege stamp 25c blue, showing the Terror of Liege or National Emblem of the city, is printed in sheets of ten stamps only. The issue was made in Holland and every applicant received two copies. The total number printed is unknown."

In the parcel post stamps (Yvert & Tellier 1919 No. 72) the inscription of the 1.10 value is shown printed with plural francs-franken, the two national languages, French and Flemish. This has been corrected in a new issue of this stamp so as to read in the singular franc-frank. There is no foundation in the rumor that the inscription franken will be corrected to francs in the higher values. The first 1.10 with francs-franken will become a good stamp, especially unused.

BERMUDA.—An esteemed correspondent in Bermuda sends us a number of interesting minor varieties of the current Ship type stamps, including two very distinct shades of the ½d value, and a photograph of the slight "double shift" described June 29 last year, besides examples with defective impressions of the "War Tax" overprint, which we do not consider worth mentioning in detail.

Double transfers of British Colonial engraved stamps are very seldom to be found, but it should be remembered that the "Ship" design was the work of

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Messrs. De La Rue & Co., whereas the engravers whose name is usually associated with the production of postage stamps in *taille douce* are Messrs. Perkins, Bacon & Co.

These stamps are printed in small sheets of sixty (ten rows of six)—the size usually adopted for steel-plate work for British Colonies. Our Bermuda correspondent says that, soon after the "War Tax" stamps were issued the margins on the left side and top of the sheet were removed to allow it to fit the local overprinting machine.

When these "Ship" stamps were first issued, *i. e.* June 4, 1910—it was officially stated that the design shows a seventeenth-century ship in full sail, with the Cross of St. George at each mast-head, similar to that which was used on the reverse of the piece known as Hogmoney, described and illustrated on page 101 of the first volume of Sir J. H. Lefroy's "Memorials of the Bermudas."

They were, of course, the first line-engraved stamps issued for our tiny mid-Atlantic Colony, and the "double transfer," slight though it is, will probably not be found in many cases.—*Stamp Collecting.*

CESKO-SLOVENSKA. — The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us the 50c value imperforate of a dark blue shade. Also the 25 stamp of the same type perforated. At the same time a stamp of the 30c with a design of an eagle with outstretched wings standing on a pedestal. The figures "30" are in each lower corner and in the background is a double line circle containing "Posta" at the top and "Cesko" on the left lower side and "Slovenska" on the lower right.

GERMAN EAST AFRICA.—1918. Design same as the 1905 issue, but much larger, measuring 27 by 36 mm. Lithographed on white wove paper without watermark.

Perforated 11½.
2½ heller bistre.
4 heller green.
7½ heller red.
15 heller deep ultramarine.
30 heller red lilac.

Above five stamps overprinted G.E.A. in large black Roman capitals 3½ mm. high, beneath which is an additional two line overprint BRITISH OCCUPATION, also in black Roman capitals, but 2¼ mm. high.

Champion's Bulletin Mensuel states that a correspondent of theirs sent on these stamps from Karissimbi, stating that the regular issue of 1905 design having all been used up, and there being no hope of getting a further supply from Germany, the above set was manufactured locally and used for a time, or until the total occupation of the country by the troops of the Allies, when the small supply captured was overprinted as above described. We understand that

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JAPAN.—The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us copies of the new 30 and 50 sen dull rose and brown respectively.

NEWFOUNDLAND.—Harry E. Huber writes us as follows:—"When the Caribou series of stamps was issued at St. John's, on the 2nd of January, 1919, the odds and ends of the Cabot, Royal and Coronation series which had been on sale up to that time were withdrawn. This was a departure, for commemorative stamps being more or less temporary in issue, are limited in numbers, and generally sold concurrently with stamps of another series.

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POLAND.—The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us the current set of stamps 3f to 5m surcharged LEVANT in red. The surcharge is of one line.

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We described in detail lately a "Restoration of Roumania" series. Mr. R. Roberts has shown us a set, among which we find yet another new species—viz., the current 5 and 10b (portrait of King Charles), also the same values of the "spinning-wheel" labels, overprinted—in fancy type—in red on the 5b "Timbre de Ajutor," and in black on the others.—*Stamp Collecting.*

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UNITED STATES 1c 1857.

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As it is not possible properly to understand the varieties occurring in this stamp without a knowledge of the imperforate issue which preceded it the writer will summarize the work of Dr. Chase, Wm. L. Stevenson and others to whom much of the credit for our present knowledge of the 1c stamps in use during the decade 1851-1860 is due. Indeed it is only fair to say that any collector familiar with the studies referred to has about as good working knowledge of these stamps as some of the specialists in them and is probably better posted than most collectors of U. S. stamps who do not specialize particularly in the 1851-'57 issues.

Three 1c plates, and only three, are recognized as having been used for the imperforate stamps. These are No. 1, No. 2 and another known as No. 3. All three of them were also used for perforated stamps. How long they were in use after perforation commenced in 1857 is not known, but the indications point to a period not exceeding one year at the most and perhaps for only a few months. Because of this short period of use none of the perforated stamps from these plates are very common and some of them are of a high degree of rarity.

Stamps from these plates can often be identified with little difficulty and the collector who will take the trouble to study his own specimens may find among them a rarity which he had always supposed to be only a common variety.

PLATE No. 1.

The stamps from Plate 1 are all the variety now cataloged as Type IV except one stamp which is No. 4 in the top row of the right pane. The early printings of imperforate stamps from this plate were all Type II except part of the top row of the right pane which were partial to complete Type I—that is, none of the stamps on this first plate show the turned under scrolls forming ball shaped ornaments below the panel containing One Cent except part of the top row of the right pane. These few latter imperforates show part or all of the ball shaped ornaments and therefore are partial or complete Type I. Later printings of the imperforates and all the printings of perforated stamps are without the full scrolls characteristic of Type I.

Several years before any 1c stamps were perforated this first plate was re-entered and was also re-cut. The transfer roll used for re-entering was not rocked in the exact position for all of the stamp designs and this is why so many of the stamps printed from the plate after it was re-entered show the more or less extensive duplication of the design known as "shifts". In its original state the plate showed the curved lines outside the top and bottom labels rather faintly but on the stamps from the re-entered plate these arcs are usually strong, having been re-cut on the individual stamp designs at the time the plate was re-entered. Hence the stamps from the re-entered and re-cut plate are classified as Type IV instead of as Type II.

Except stamp No. 4 from the right pane of the sheet, which was not recut at all, the stamps in the top row of the plate had their lower arc recut; those in the bottom row had the arc of the upper label recut; and most of the other 160 stamps on the plate had both arcs recut. In addition, some of them had slighter recutting in either the top or the bottom label, or in both of these labels. Because of the differences in the recutting, it is quite possible to reconstruct the entire plate.

The recut lines do not show so plainly on the imperforate 1c printed soon after the recutting was done, but in the later imperforate printings they are quite noticeable and the plate was so badly worn when the perforated stamps were printed from it that the recut lines on the latter stamps are easy to distinguish. They appear to have been cut more deeply than the remainder of the design and with not a great deal of care, for they seldom join the original lines perfectly and look too much like what they are—a patch.

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Type IV stamps were those printed from this plate.

There is another variety of unusual interest found on Plate 1, the like of which is not known elsewhere on any U. S. stamps. When the plate was originally rocked in part of the first vertical row in the upper left corner was first transferred. Because the stamp designs were placed so far apart that the complete row of ten could not have been rocked on the plate had transferring continued, or for some other reason not known, these designs were erased and the plate was turned half way around, bringing the erased transfers into the lower right corner, *upside down.* The entire plate was then transferred in the new position. However, the erased designs had not been completely removed and traces of them remained as *inverted transfers* in the lower right corner of the plate, and may be found in the lower left corner of the left pane of the stamp sheets. They are L 71, L 81 and L 91. By 1857 the plate was so badly worn the traces of these inverted transfers are nearly invisible, but on rare occasions a perforated 1c showing them can be found.

Plate No. 2.

The second 1c plate is stated to have been made in 1855 and probably was not used after 1857. It was badly cracked in the upper right corner and stamps from the upper left corner of the left pane show the crack plainly. The crack starts in stamp No. L 23 and runs up through L 13 and L 2 to the edge of the plate. As the plate was used, the crack opened up more and the irregular line of color formed by it on the three stamps mentioned is wider on the perforated stamps than on the imperforates. It is believed that because of this crack Plate 2 was used as little as possible.

Stamps printed from it do not show much wear and usually are not difficult to identify. With one exception they are all Type II. The arcs at top and bottom are complete; the ball shaped ornaments below the lower arc are entirely missing and there is no evidence of re-entering and recutting.

The most notable variety on this plate is the 99th stamp in the right pane. It was short transferred at both top and bottom so that the arcs are broken, making it a perfect example of Type III—by far the best example of Type III in the imperforate issue. Apparently there were at least two attempts to rock it in, for the design is strongly shifted at the right side. Either imperforate or perforated it is an extremely rare stamp.

This plate was rocked in from the same transfer roll as was plate 1 and the two reliefs on the roller appear in the same order on both of the plates. Relief A is complete at the top and trimmed at the bottom. Relief B is trimmed at both top and bottom. On both reliefs the upper and lower arcs are complete and the ball shaped ornaments below the lower arc have been entirely trimmed away. The stamps in the 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th and 10th horizontal rows are from relief A and those from the 2nd, 4th, 6th and 8th rows are from relief B.

Plate No. 3.

The third plate used for imperforate 1c stamps is supposed to have been made late in 1856 and could hardly have been in use more than a few months. All the stamps from it are scarce, either imperforate or perforated, and many of them are rare to very rare. This is the first plate made from a six relief transfer roll and may have been made with the idea that the stamps from it were to be perforated, although perforation did not commence until some time after it was placed in use.

There has been considerable discussion as to just how this plate was made and students are not yet in complete agreement concerning it. The present writer, therefore, will state his own opinion and let it stand or fall as further investigation may decide. He believes the roller was rocked downwards in each vertical row reproducing the six reliefs in the order 1-2-3-4-5-6-3-4-5-6 or else was rocked from bottom to top reproducing the reliefs in the order 6-5-4-3-6-5-4-3-2-1 in each vertical row on the plate. This would make the stamps in the third horizontal row like those in the seventh row; those in the fourth row like those in the eighth row; and those in the fifth row like those in the ninth row, just as occurs in some later 1c, 5c and 24c plates made for perforated stamps.

But when we examine the stamps from the sixth and tenth rows of this third 1c plate, however, we find that although they appear identical at their tops, their lower edges are quite dissimilar. The stamps from the 6th row have the ball shaped ornaments below the lower arc almost completely erased or cut away, while on the stamps from the 10th row these ornaments are absolutely complete and the stamps are what is known as "full scrolls", that is, Type I.

This situation regarding the 6th and 10th row stamps is just the reverse of what we find on the 5c stamps from Plate No. 2 of that stamp. There the 10th row stamps are *less* complete at the bottom than those in the 6th row; here on the third 1c plate the 10th row stamps are *more* complete at the bottom than those in the 6th row. And on the 24c plate the stamps in the 6th row and the 10th row have exactly the same degree of completeness.

The plate 3 one cent stamps are apt to puzzle collectors because so frequently they do not accurately fit the catalog descriptions of Types I, II and III. None of the plate 3 stamps were recut and therefore no Type IV is found on this plate, but Types I, II and III all occur on it, in many cases as intermediate or combination types, neither exactly one type as cataloged nor another. They have two distinguishing features; practically always they show traces of the turned under scrolls below the lower panel; the color is deep and quite uniform. The plate was used so little the stamps from it never show signs of wear and as a rule the impressions are wonderfully clear and beautiful.

The stamps in the bottom row have the design considerably cut away at the top and are quite unlike any other Type I one cent. Seventy-five per cent or more of the imperforate Type I found come from this plate, but of the perforated Type I stamps probably less than 10% are from the bottom row of the third plate. The perforated Type I stamps from this plate seem to be nearly as rare as the imperforate Type I but not being appreciated are obtainable at a smaller outlay—when obtainable at all.

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The other 140 stamps on the plate are incomplete at both top and bottom and sometimes the lower arc is very faint, slightly broken or quite invisible, making them fairly good specimens of Type III. These are the only imperforate Type III stamps except the one stamp, (No. 99), on plate 2. They are scarce to rare, both imperforate and perforated, and when perforated should not be confused with the common perforated Type III stamps from later plates.

CATALOG TRANSLATIONS.

Perhaps a "translation" of the catalog into more explicit terms will help the reader to understand it and these 1c stamps better. The imperforate 1c stamps are listed in blue as Nos. 30, 31, 32 and 32b, and in dark blue as Nos. 30a, 31a, 32a, and 32c.

No. 30 represents a few stamps from the top row of plate 1 in its early state before re-entering and recutting. They are usually light blue and when showing the scrolls absolutely complete are very rare. All have the design somewhat shifted. They show the design complete at the top and do not exist perforated.

No. 30a represents the stamps from the bottom row of plate 3. Their tops are incomplete and they are not so rare as No. 30. Perforated specimens are No. 40a.

Nos. 31 and 31a represent stamps from most of plate 1, (first state, light blue), from all of plate 2, (except No. 99R), and some from plate 3.

No. 32 apparently represents No. 99 in plate 2.

No. 32a represents a few stamps from the body of plate 3 which are rare, but not nearly so rare as No. 32.

Nos. 32b and 32c represent stamps from plate 1, (second state, recut), except No. 4R, which would come under 31 or 31a.

The perforated 1c stamps are listed in blue as Nos. 40, 41, 42 and 42c, and in dark blue as Nos. 40a, 41a, 42a and 42d.

No. 40 represents about half the stamps from plate 12. These do not exist imperforate. The design is complete at the top.

No. 40a represents stamps from the bottom row of plate 3. They are much rarer than No. 40. Imperforate specimens are No. 30a.

Nos. 41 and 41a represent stamps from plate 2, except No. 99 R), about half of the stamps on plate 12, some from plate 3, and No. 4 R of plate 1.

Nos. 42 and 42a represent stamps from plates 7, 8, 9, and 10, which do not exist imperforate, and No. 99 R of plate 2. The latter is very much rarer than the former.

No. 42b represents stamps from plates 7, 8, 9 and 10 on paper showing the "hair watermark" like Nos. 63c, 65b, etc.,—the same paper as used on many revenue stamps about 1863.

Nos. 42c and 42d represent stamps from plate 1, except No. 4 R.

REFERENCE LIST.

Imperforate Only

Plate No. 1, In use 1851-57
(First state)
Type I, Stamps No. R3—R 10.
Type II, Remainder of plate.

Imperforate and Perforated

Plate No. 1, (Second state)
Type II, Stamp No. R 4.
Type IV, Remainder of plate.

Plate No. 2, In use 1855-57
Type II, All except No. 99 R.
Type III, No. 99 R only.

Plate No. 3, In use 1856-57
Type I, Nos. 91-100, R and L.
Type II, (with traces of scrolls).
Type III, (with traces of scrolls).

Perforated Only

Plates Nos. 7, 8, 9 and 10, In use 1857-60
Type III, (Nos. 91-100 R and L show very slight traces of scrolls).

Plate No. 11, In use 1860 (?)
Type II, (?).

Plate No. 12, In use 1860-61
Type I, (about 100 stamps).
Type II, (about 100 stamps).

(To be concluded.)

WISE & CO.

By CHRISTOPHER WEST.

This rather unprepossessing adhesive is rightly classed among the rarest of the New York City match stamps. The writer has been able to locate less than a dozen copies and most of them are more or less defective. It is undoubtedly fully as rare as a number of other M & M that are priced several times as much in the current catalogs. In appearance it hardly seems to belong with the match stamps for most of the latter are truly works of art while the Wise is a mediocre production about on a par with the least attractive medicine stamps. Beyond the data given in the Boston Book almost nothing is known of the stamp's history:—

Die approved, January 11, 1869.
First issued, February 20, 1869.
Last issued, February 20, 1869.
210 stamps per sheet, (15x14).
110,000 issued, all printed by Jos. R. Carpenter in black on old paper.

From this data it is evident the stamp was in use only a short time and that there was only one delivery. The entire issue cost the concern only $1,000 and as the stamp tax represented in the neighborhood of 60% of the wholesale price of the matches, the business must have been very small. Nevertheless, the stamp bears the impressive title, "Metropolitan Match Works".

It is a horizontal rectangle of the standard 1c size bearing a full face portrait of Liberty (?) with flowing hair and wearing a Phrygian cap. The usual legends are borne on scrolls at the four sides, the lower one reading WISE & CO. NEW YORK. Near each lower corner is the numeral "1". All are perforated 12 as usual, and as badly as usual, nearly every known copy being more or less off center.

The "Metropolitan Match Works" does not appear in any New York directory. The directory for 1869-70 contains the following:—Sigismond Wise, matches, 229 E. 35th St.

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PANAMA AND ITS POSTAGE STAMPS.

By FREDERICK E. HEYDON.

CHAPTER XI.

First Colon Issue, November, 1903.

In the city of Colon as well as at Panama, the proclamation of the new republic was accompanied by an overprinting of a supply of postage stamps for immediate requirements by means of rubber handstamps; but the work was far more carefully done and the resulting series present a very creditable appearance for work of this sort. Mr. Luff's account of this issue is so accurate and comprehensive that I prefer to quote it with a few slight changes. Five handstamps appear to have been used of the general type

REPUBLICA DE
PANAMA

which is somewhat larger than that used at Panama. They differ as follows:

I. Broad M in PANAMA. Small R and narrow B and A in REPUBLICA. Narrow D in DE. Space between REPUBLICA and DE. P of PANAMA is upright. If a ruler or any other article with a straight edge is laid at the right of the N of PANAMA it will touch the right side of the B of REPUBLICA and if laid along the right side of the second A it will touch the top of the L above it.

II. Broad M in PANAMA. Large R and narrow B and A in REPUBLICA. Narrow D in DE. Space between REPUBLICA and DE. Top of the P of PANAMA leans to the right. A straight-edge placed at the right of the N of PANAMA will touch the right side of the B of REPUBLICA but when placed along the right-hand stroke of the second A the line will pass between the L and I above.

III. Broad M in PANAMA. Small R, broad B and narrow A in REPUBLICA. Broad D in DE. No space between REPUBLICA and DE, the two words appearing as one. The third stroke of the N of PANAMA, if extended, would pass through the middle of the B of REPUBLICA.

IV. Narrow M in PANAMA. Broad A in REPUBLICA. Space between REPUBLICA and DE. A line drawn along the right side of the first A of PANAMA will cross the U of REPUBLICA from lower right to upper left, while a line drawn at the right of the N will pass to the right of the vertical stroke of the L of REPUBLICA.

V. Narrow M in PANAMA. Broad A in REPUBLICA. Space between REPUBLICA and DE. A line drawn along the right side of the first A of PANAMA will pass through the middle of the U above and one drawn at right of the N will pass to the left of the vertical stroke of the L of REPUBLICA.

In types I, II and III the surcharge is 5¾ mm. high, while in types IV and V it is only 5¼ mm., the letters of REPUBLICA DE being notably shorter in the last two types.

These handstamps were made of rubber. No. III appears to have been damaged before it was withdrawn from use, as we frequently see impressions showing a crack across the words REPUBLICA DE.

I have already expressed a decided opinion against the serious consideration of varieties of handstamped surcharges due to misplacement, but as a matter of information and for the convenience of specialists who are interested in them, list all such varieties as are known to me, using a tabular arrangement so that any not listed may be readily inserted.

Surcharged REPUBLICA DE PANAMA

		Normal (horizontal) Surcharge	a. Inverted surcharge	b. Diagonal surcharge	c. Inverted diagonal surcharge.	d. Vertical surcharge	e. Double surcharge	f. Pair, one without surcharge
125.	1c green, surcharged magenta.	×	×	×			×	
126.	2c rose, " "	×	×	×			×	
127.	5c blue, " "	×	×	×			×	×
128.	10c yellow, " "	×	×	×	×	×	×	×
129.	20c violet, " "	×	×	×	×		×	
130.	50c brown, " "	×	×	×			×	
131.	50c brown, " " (wove). (pelure).	×		×		×		
132.	1p lake, " "	×		×		×		
133.	1c green, surcharged violet.	×		×				
134.	2c rose, " "	×	×	×			×	×
134g.	2c rose, " " and magenta.	×	×	×			×	×
135.	5c blue, " "						×	
136.	10c yellow, " "	×	×	×		×	×	×
137.	20c violet, " "	×	×	×			×	
*138.	50c brown, " " (wove).	×	×	×			×	
*139.	50c brown, " " (pelure).	×	×	×	×		×	×
140.	1p lake, " "	×	×	×		×	×	
141.	2c rose, surcharged blue.	×		×				
142.	2c rose, surcharged blue-black.	×		×				

**Note.* In all of the Colon issues remainders of the old 1887-1892 issue of the 50c were utilized for surcharging together with the 1892-1896 issue for the other values.

On account of the practice of using the same rubber handstamp on both the magenta and violet pads, the colors of the surcharges are not always clear and at times rather confusing. I am inclined to believe that the color of the surcharge was not considered important, but that any available pad was used. This explains the occurrence of surcharges in blue and blue-black, and it is quite possible that other colors may have been used. In the check list I have thought it best not to distinguish between vertical surcharges reading upward and downward or the various sorts of double surcharges.

The stamps of this issue, so far as the lower values are concerned, are priced far below what their scarcity would warrant. The 1p, however, is a decidedly rare stamp even on the Isthmus and the 50c quite scarce both on wove and pelure paper.

It is interesting to note that while at Panama the 50c bistre-brown of the 1896 issue was invariably surcharged, at Colon the old 50c brown of the 1887-1892 Issue was used. Apparently the remainders of these stamps were all at the Colon post office.

CHAPTER XII.

Second Colon Issue, December, 1903.

The stamps of this issue were overprinted,

PANAMA

the surcharge measuring 19½x3 mm., the normal position being horizontal. A brass handstamp was used in place of one of rubber, and this is usually impressed so deeply as to show on back of the stamp and occasionally when held somewhat obliquely, the edge of the handstamp appears as an irregular colored line in the surcharge.

I list all well authenticated values. As inverted and other irregular surcharges are nearly as common as the normal type they certainly do not merit any advanced prices on account of these defects. The stamps, with the exception of the 1p, are far scarcer than the preceding issue, while curiously enough the 1p is less rare although far from common. The variations of double surcharges, such as normal, inverted and diagonal, have been omitted, as has also been done with vertical surcharges reading upward and downward.

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		Normal (horizontal) surcharge.	a. Inverted surcharge	b. Diagonal surcharge	c. Inverted diagonal surcharge	d. Vertical surcharge	e. Double surcharge	f. Pair, one without surcharge	g. Pair, surcharged in different colors
143.	1c green, surcharged magenta.	×	×	×			×	×	
144.	2c rose, " "	×	×	×			×		
145.	5c blue, " "	×	×	×			×		
146.	10c yellow, " "	×	×	×			×		
147.	20c violet, " "	×	×	×		×	×		
148.	50c brown, " " (wove).	×		×					
149.	50c brown, " " (pelure).	×	×	×					
150.	1p lake, " "	×	×	×			×		
151.	1c green, surcharged violet.	×	×	×					
152.	2c rose, " "	×	×	×	×	×	×		
153.	5c blue, " "	×	×	×			×	×	
153h.	5c blue, " " and magenta.								×
154.	10c yellow, " "	×	×	×					
155.	20c violet, " "	×	×	×			×		
156.	50c brown, " " (wove).	×	×	×	×		×	×	
157.	50c brown, " " (pelure).	×	×	×					
158.	1p lake, " "	×	×	×					
159.	50c brown, surcharged red (wove).	×	×	×				×	

CHAPTER XIII.

Third Colon Issue, January-February, 1904.

The third provisional issue which appeared in Colon was, like the two which preceded it, made by surcharging the "map" stamps of the State of Panama, but this time the surcharge was printed. The 1, 2, 5, 10 and 50 centavos appeared in January, 1904, but the 20 centavos and 1 peso were not issued until the next month.

The surcharge consisted of a bar and the words REPUBLICA DE PANAMA in two lines of *italic* type. There were two arrangements of this surcharge, each set up to cover fifty stamps. In the first arrangement the surcharge covered ten horizontal rows of five stamps each. Normally there was an acute accent on the U of REPUBLICA and the last A of PANAMA Nos. 32 and 37 had a small accent on the A of REPUBLICA; on 34 and 39 the I of REPUBLICA was from a wrong fount, being thicker and appearing to stand more nearly upright than the correct letter; while on eight stamps the final A of PANAMA was without accent. Only the 1 and 2 centavos are known with this setting. The second arrangement was made by taking the twenty-five varieties which constituted the lower half of the setting and placing them at the right side of the upper half. By this transposition the setting became one of five horizontal rows of ten stamps each. In this second arrangement the variety with accent on the A of REPUBLICA were Nos. 17 and 67, that with thick I were Nos. 19 and 69, and Nos. 1, 15, 38, 47, 51, 65, 88 and 97 had no accent on the last A of PANAMA.

A further difference exists due to variation in the distance between the bar and *Republica*. The distance is normally 3 mm., but on Nos. 41 to 50 and 91 to 100, is only 1 mm.

As this surcharge was printed instead of being handstamped and there is no suggestion of speculative errors, all varieties deserve the consideration of the specialist. The general collector will do well to confine himself to the normal type and PANAMA without accent, as this is the most prominent error and also the commonest, while an example of the other errors on a single value should suffice.

Surcharged *República de Panamá.*

		Normal Type	a. Panama (without accent)	b. Republica (two accents)	c. Republica (wrong font i)	d. Republica only 1 mm. below bar	e. Inverted surcharge	f. Diagonal surcharge	g. Vertical surcharge
160.	1c green, surch. carmine.	×	×	×	×	×	×		
161.	1c green, surch. light brown.	×	×	×	×	×	×		
162.	1c green, surch. black.	×	×	×	×	×		×	×
163.	2c rose, surch. black.	×	×	×	×	×	×		
164.	5c blue, surch. carmine.	×	×	×	×	×	×		
165.	10c yellow, surch. black.	×	×	×	×	×	×		
166.	20c violet, surch. black.	×	×	×	×	×	×		
167.	20c violet, surch. dark brown.	×	×	×	×	×			
168.	50c brown, surch. blue (wove paper).	×	×	×	×	×			
169.	50c brown, surch. blue (pelure paper).	×	×	×	×	×			
170.	1p lake, surch. black.	×	×	×	×	×			

		h. Double surcharge	i. Double surch. one inverted	j. Double surch. one diagonal	k. Double surch. in two colors	l. Bar omitted	m. Bar at bottom	n. Pair one without surcharge	o. Pair surch. different colors
160.	1c green, surch. carmine.	×	×	×		×	×		
161.	1c green surch. brown.		×						
161.	1c green, surch. carmine and brown.								×
162.	1c green, surch. black.		×						
163.	2c rose, surch. black.						×	×	
164.	5c blue, surch. carmine.	×				×	×		
165.	10c yellow, surch. black.	×	×				×		
165.	10c yellow, surch. black and carmine.	×							
166.	20c violet, surch. black.	×		×			×		
168.	50c brown, surch. blue (wove paper).					×	×		
169.	50c brown, surch. blue (pelure paper).						×		
170.	1p lake, surch. black.								

A 1c green with dull red surcharge has also been listed, but it seems to me that this is not legitimate, but due entirely to neglect to clean the roller thoroughly before using for carmine.

At the time that the first of the Third Colon Issue stamps appeared they had a companion, 20 centavos, which was surcharged with type *"h"*. The stamp with this surcharge was in use for about one month when it was replaced by the 20 centavos with the italic surcharge (*"g"*). This surcharge was printed. It was set up to cover a block of ten stamps, five horizontal pairs. There were no prominent varieties in the setting, though each of the ten differed slightly from the others.

January, 1904.

h. Surcharged REPUBLICA DE PANAMA.

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EDITORIAL.

Inspired—In the past, philately has had an occasional moment of inspiration but never before has it arisen to the grand height that it now touches as a practical agent for the amelioration of the stricken sections of central Europe. In the fog of foreign exchange fluctuations, the halting resumption of production and the difficulties of transportation, the light of philately shines brightly. As active rehabilitation of devasted or demoralized countries awaits the signing of the treaty of peace, the work of repair is prosecuted only half-heartedly. The delay in accepting the terms as they are (or as they may be) is responsible for a heavy toll of hardship. While argument proceeds, grave danger menaces the new states of Europe because of jangled economic conditions. Production lags, transportation means are inadequate and no money comes in because of the pause. There are few commodities that the stricken or the starving countries can convert into needed cash and it is in this connection that philately, "the unessential pursuit", acquires some of the elements of sublimity. The new stamp issues are a source of income without production, except in a minor measure. Through the liberal purchase by collectors, a gleam of salvation is seen by the sorely tried peoples. The money that comes in is a direct alleviation of the national pains. Great quantities of the new stamps are absorbed by collectors each of whom may know that he is doing an act of humanity by indulging his philatelic bent. Philately surely will be remembered with gratitude by the faltering nations that are the recipients of this ready money and stamp collecting has become a factor in the work of world establishment. Unless philatelic interest is alienated by flagrant abuses in the name of postal expediency by the hard-pressed nations, it will continue to crystallize into dollars. New postal systems require new issues of stamps and philatelists recognize this necessity, but any palpable play for the money of collectors by the coming of stamps made for sale and not for service will spoil the sentiment that is now felt for the stamps in mind. We are proud that philately is doing practical good where it is most needed and it supplies practical aid in the neatest way imaginable.

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Received—We have received from Mr. W. W. Walsh, a budget of old stamp papers; and lists of dealers who flourished in the eighties. Mr. Walsh says: "Speaking of old advertisers in the WEEKLY, I think that my ad may be found in some of the earliest numbers. It would be interesting to know what has become of certain of the old concerns. The other day I came across the enclosed mementoes of my boyhood days. I did trading with Stevens and Pierce of Chicago in the early '80's and have often wondered what became of them." Mr. S. C. Stevens died in Chicago not a year ago at the age of nearly eighty and Mr. J. A. Pierce is alive and hearty in Chicago at an advanced age; and he works each day although he severed his stamp connections a good many years ago. A history of mercantile philately in America would be of interest and of some value; and we should like to see such a compilation undertaken.

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Again—The proposed society for lovers of philatelic literature has not been forgotten and several correspondents have asked that the question of organization again be broached. We have had a ringing letter from Mr. A. H. Pike, Buffalo, New York, commending the plan and he says that the time is now propitious for making the start. It is not difficult to agree with him as we have noticed that a demand is becoming manifest for works published in years gone by that comparatively speaking have been neglected. Whether a sudden appreciation of the merits of these books has caused the interest or a realization that a philatelic library is a complement of a good collection, we cannot say, although we shall take some credit to ourselves for having fixed attention on philatelic prints by our handbooks. We believe that the collecting of philatelic publications will receive a stimulus this season and we think that the happy period will come when the pretentious and meritorious book will be cordially received. Under the circumstances the society of literature lovers has a growing justification and in view of the fact that Mr. Pike says that he will attend to the preliminaries attending organization we shall hesitate no longer to launch the society; and we shall do what we can to start it off with flying colors. Mr. A. H. Pike may be addressed at 80 Grant Street, Buffalo.

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Mixed—As a result of our commen on present day "foreign exchange" we have had several complicated cases sent to us for judgment. As we have only good intentions and no expert knowledge on the subject to support them, we decline to give any decision. We are awaiting authoritative information from someone who is in a position to speak before pressing the inquiry as we feel that it is necessary to arrive at some equitable understanding for the sake of all concerned. It is hoped that a common basis may be found on which all the dealers may stand

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Leader—Speaking of the stamp dealers and unity of action, we are glad to publish the following letter from Mr. Eugene Klein, President of the American Stamp Dealers' Association: "The conclusion might be drawn from your editorial on page No. 336 that our body is not representative. I enclose a membership list in which you will see the names of 90% of the prominent stamp dealers of the United States and a large number of your advertisers are listed among the hundred dealers. The activities of the association are not confined to making collections from delinquents but timely warnings are given by means of a confidential bulletin of auction beats, approval substituters, forgers and other frauds. The association also has taken active interest in broader matters such as the censorship of stamp mail during the war and the recent interference by the French military authorities with Swiss mail containing stamps addressed to the United States. The working officers of the body hold regular weekly meetings and the reports of transactions are published in the Bulletin which goes to members only." We congratulate the society on its record and as Mr. Klein says, almost all of the important dealers seem to be among the members; and we predict a sphere of increasing usefulness for this necessary organization.

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Wanted—In the *American Philatelist*, Mr. Stanley B. Ashbrook, Cincinnati, presented some shrewd surmises regarding that mysterious stamp, the ten cent blue, Confederate, with outer line. Really, little is known of this stamp but if indications may be depended upon, by the time that Mr. Ashbrook has dissected the stamp, we will have all its secrets. Pairs, or better, of the stamp are uncommon but Mr. Ashbrook believes that he will succeed in plating the stamp; and hence, he is anxious to see anything of the kind that readers may have. Mr. Ashbrook may be communicated with at 720 Union Trust Building.

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We are pained to announce the death of Kenneth Leslie Damon, which occurred July 13 at Williamsburg, Mass. Mr. Damon was one of our most ardent subscribers and an occasional advertiser in the WEEKLY. He had had diphtheria a year ago which affected his heart, and on the day in question went in swimming and died almost instantly with heart-trouble. He was nineteen years old and employed in the Northampton National Bank, and of exemplary character. Upon the occasion of his funeral the floral offerings were profuse. A large number of friends were present, including the officials. He loved his stamp collecting and had some valuable books which were so much a part of him that they were buried with him. Mrs. Damon, who gives us these particulars, writes:—"He loved your paper and I want it continued".

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1914, ½-15c .....11 var. 1.25
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1914, ½, ½, 1, 1½, 2c .....5 var. .12
1914, ½c-15c (72-82) .....11 var. 1.10
Lourenzo 1914, ½, ½, 1, 1½, 2c ....5 var. .12
1914, ½-15c (116-126) .....11 var. 1.10
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1913, ½c-15c (149-159) .....11 var. 1.10
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Nyassa 1911, 2½, 5, 10, 20, 25, 50r 6 var. .25
1911, 2½-200r (51-59) .....9 var. 1.10
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1914, ½-15c (25-35) .....11 var. 1.10
St. Thomas 1912, 2½, 5, 10, 20, 25r 5 var. .20
1914, ½, ½, 1, 1½, 2c .....5 var. .12
1914, ½-15c (194-204) .....11 var. 1.20
Tete 1914, ½, ½, 1, 1½, 2c .....5 var. .12
1914, ½-15c (25-35) .....11 var. 1.10
Timor 1911, ½, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6a .....6 var. .25
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1914, ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 .....6 var. .15
1914, ½-58 (156-167) .....12 var. 1.80
Zambesia 1911, 2½, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25..6 var. .20
1911, 2½-200r .....12 var. 1.75

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

—We are pleased to announce that Springfield, Mass., is to have an up-to-date stamp office. Notice is made elsewhere in this issue in the quarter-page advertisement of H. P. Atherton. With the great collecting interest for which Springfield is famous, this announcement should cause a great deal of satisfaction to the local collectors.

—The *New York Sun* published the middle of the month a two-column article over the heading "Stamp Collecting a Royal Hobby". While it is rather crudely written, it will nevertheless prove of immense value to philately as a recruiting agency.

—"I want to congratulate you on the magnificent showing of No. 1500. This number certainly marks a step in Philately and you and your confreres are to be congratulated on your enterprise and foresight."—DR. W. L. BABCOCK, one of many.

—Many of our subscribers will remember the William Stamp Co. as a former advertiser in the WEEKLY. The proprietor, Wm. Hebblethwaite, was a firm believer in our publication. Quite recently Mr. Hebblethwaite died, but the business is being conducted at the old stand by A. A. Green, who before the war was the manager of the business. Now, after several years of service, he has returned to resume the management of the affairs of the firm. Mr. Green had five years of service in highly confidential war work and we have no doubt that in the near future many of our newer subscribers will become acquainted with him.

—We are informed by C. M. Tyler of Pittsburgh, Pa., that 59 attended the last meeting of the local stamp club. Mr. Tyler adds:—"Philately is booming here."

—The next regular meeting of the Rhode Island Society will be held Tuesday, Oct. 28, Room 236, Industrial Trust Bdg., Providence. There will be an exhibit of 20th Century foreign.

—"Precancel collectors may be interested to know that a set of precancels of Springfield, Missouri has been issued from 1c to 30c.—C. C. CHALFANT.

—Percy McG. Mann gives us this experience:—"I recently sent out a selection of stamps on approval, value $10.55, registration and postage being 14c. 25c was the amount purchased and 24c was remitted, the stamps being returned by ordinary mail. The envelope was unsealed and postage on the return was paid with 2c instead of 4c. Is it any wonder I don't like an approval business? The selection was requested." We consider this conduct very reprehensible and feel like naming the party. Anyway we have him on the list for future consideration.

—The Lynn Philatelic Society of Lynn, Mass., held a most successful anniversary banquet on Tuesday evening, October 14, at the King Joy restaurant in that city. Some twenty-five members with ladies were present. The president of the Society, G. H. Brown, acted as master of ceremonies. Willard O. Wylie, the Managing Editor of the WEEKLY, was the guest of honor and made a short address on "The Lure of Stamp Collecting", treating the subject from the standpoint of friendships, fraternities, finds and finance. The club has issued a printed program of its proposed entertainments for the coming season. It has at the present time fifty-two members.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from Arthur B. Moss (2), Lon F. McQuitty, Albert Lee, Walter Hartman, J. H. Massey, Theodore Siddall, Wm. Adams, O. W. Lindquist, Sam White, Joseph Ward, Harold L. Hock.

—Cecil F. Blogg, secretary of the Tacoma Branch of the Washington State Philatelic Society, writes us that the interest in philately is very strong throughout the northwest. The local Y. M. C. A. is forming a junior stamp club to be under the direction of the W. S. P. S. The Prince of Wales was invited to attend a meeting of the Tacoma Society and a letter of regrets was duly received with the statement that His Royal Highness was returning east through Canada and "will not be in the United States until the middle of November".

THE 30c 1857-60 "IMPERFORATE."

By ELLIOTT PERRY.

A very regrettable error of fact occurred in the mss. of the 30c-90c 1857-60 rticle recently published under my name. The statement that the sale of the imperforate 30c on cover from the Worthington collection was not consummated is entirely incorrect. The opinion of one of the best known authorities in America regarding this item was accepted by the purchaser and the sale was consummated.

At the time the article was written I was aware of the adverse criticism of the stamp and cover and that was the basis of the statement I made, but I was not aware of the favorable opinion or that the purchaser accepted this opinion and the cover.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

Objection has been taken to some of my advertisements in that I have mentioned that I was the first to have certain varieties of U. S. errors, and certain collectors think that I am taking credit which is not due me. Any broad-minded person reading my advertisements would not possibly think that I personally found all these varieties, and reference to my chronicle will show that I have always given full credit to those making the discoveries. My advertisements are not written to mislead anyone and I desire to correct the impression that exists in certain quarters.

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* 1919 Occ. of Italy, Chas., 2c-41 22c also Express, Newsp., P. Dues, 32 var. 6.00
* Occ. of Roumania Chas. 1st issue 3b-4k, 17 var. 5.50
1912, Lichtenstein, 3-25h complete .35
*Bavaria, Charity, 5 on 10pf, 5 on 15pf .06
*Belgium on German, 3, 5, 7½, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, "Cent." ..... .60
Bosnia 1914, Charity, 7, 12h used .... .20
1915, Charity, 7, 12h used ..... .20
* 1917, Widows & Orphans, 10, 15h .. .20
1917, Commemorative 10, 15, 40h .. .50
1918, Charity (Invalids) 10, 15h.. .18
1918, Militarpost 10, 15, 40h ..... .30
Esthonia 5, 15, 35, 70k used ..... .75
German-Austria surcharged 3h-10kr, 2 Special Deliveries, used, 21 var. 3.00
Hungary 1915-16,Charity,1f-5k(185-201) 3.75
* 1919 Communist 2f-10k, 20 var. .. 7.25
*Jugo-Slavia, "Croatia," 3h-5kr, 11 var. 1.50
*Roumania on German, 5,10,15, 20, 30pf 1.00
* "9. Armee" 10 bani brown ..... .12
*Switzerland, Aeroplane, 50c green .... .20
*Ukrania, surcharged on Roumania, 1, 5, 10 bani ..... .30
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* 3rd German Occupation, 4 var. .. .15
* P. P., 1912, 5 & 10fr, cat. 68c .. .10
*Fiume, 1st issue, 2, 3, 5, 10, 15c .... .09
Finland 1917, 5p to 1 mark, 7 var. .... .10
1917, 5 mark ..... .25
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***Marshall** G. R. I. 2/10-2/20 ..... 4.75
New Foundland, One Dollar Air Post 1.50
Finland, 83-91 ..... .18
Ceylon, 1 on 5, 2c; New Zealand 8d,K.E. .06
Jamaica, 1½d green, new ..... .04
Egypt, Nos. 50-59, complete ..... .49
Australia, Nos. 141-147 ..... .36
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The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Mr. George Ward Linn informs us that a personal friend of his has located at the Columbus Post Office a pane of one hundred of the 1c green, engraved, imperforate horizontally and perforated 11 vertically. It will be recalled that the 3c value is also known in a similar condition while the 2c has been chronicled imperforate vertically.

1919 Engraved, Unwatermarked.
1c green, imperf. horizontally, perf. 11 vertically.

Mr. A. C. Roessler in his "News" prints a very interesting letter from the Rosback Company of Benton Harbor, Mich., relative to the perforating machine which they recently had on trial in Washington and from which we obtained our experimental 12½, offset print stamps. It seems that this machine was designed solely for perforating dry printed stamps and as a result with the Bureau again turning out engraved stamps, we are lead to believe that they had no further use for the machine. We have been wondering why it could not be used to advantage on the revenue stamps which are printed by the dry process. It is quite possible that the machine did not perforate as accurately as necessary for we learn that out of 6641 sheets of 400 perforated, nearly half, namely 3175, were spoiled and as a result only 3466 sheets were issued at the Washington Post Office. Again we ask where are the 1c revenues included in this lot which the Rosback representative saw perforated?

Dr. William Evans has just sent us a block of the current 2c unwatermarked, perforated 11, printed from a worn plate in such a light shade of pink that it may almost be classified as a new variety. The shade collector has certainly never had such a merry time as during the last couple of years. We would certainly thank some specialist of first rank to bring Mr. Luff's wonderful work on United States up to date.

Mr. W. T. Robey sends us an interesting block of the 7c black perforated while the sheet was folded. As a result three of the stamps have blank margins at the top about half of an inch high. Mr. George Soulman sends us similar freaks of the 1c and 2c.

Mr. Standish Prescott gives us the first view we have had of the new library size postal, 1c green with portrait of Lincoln. The head is enclosed in an elliptical frame flattened at the bottom. Within the ellipse we find "U. S. Postal Card" in white letters and under the head "Lincoln—1 Cent 1". It is your editor's personal opinion that this is the most attractive postal ever issued by this government.

AUSTRIA.—An entirely new series has just appeared inscribed "Deutsch Osterreich," 3h to 1Kr. There are 12 values and three different designs—Coat of arms, men kneeling and picture of a horn. All are small size and upright. —*Economist Bulletin.*

BELGIUM.—We are informed by Henry Hooreman that the complete set for 1915 from 1c orange to 10fr brown has been overprinted in two lines ALLEMAGNE—DUITSCHLAND. The surcharge is in two languages, French and Flemish, for use in the German territory occupied by Belgian troops. The date of issue was Sept. 20.

CROATIE-LAIBACH.—Five values of a new design have been received bearing the picture of an infant. All are in gray and upright in shape. The values are 2, 4, 6, 10 and 30 and are probably a newspaper issue.—*Economist Bulletin.*

GUATEMALA.—Wm. Adams has submitted for our inspection a copy of the 10c orange and blue 1902 with surcharge "Dos Centavos" duplicating the A43 illustrated in Scott's catalog. The overprint is in red.

JAMAICA.—We have received from Paul Dillingham and Geo. A. Goubault specimens of two new war stamps, the ½d green and 3d violet on yellow, having been overprinted "War Stamp" in one line at the bottom in carmine. Only a limited quantity was issued, the 3d having been sold out the first day that it was placed on sale.

JAPAN.—We are advised by Delbert N. Johnson that an aerial postal service will be established between Tokio and Osaka., according to reliable information received by him.

LUXEMBURG.—The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us the current issue of the 10 and 12½c surcharged DROITS DE STATISTIQUE in black and in two lines.

SOUTHERN RUSSIA.—The regular imperf. Russians, 1917-18 issue, are surcharged with new values, viz: 25 on 1K, 25 on 2K, 50 on 3K, 50 on 5K, 1P on 3P. These are surcharged in fancy type. —*Economist Bulletin.*

SWEDEN.—The *Economist Bulletin* notes: "A new series will be issued soon for this country, in three designs. One will bear the portrait of King Oscar, one will have the picture of a posthorn and crown and the third will be that of a lion."

TURKS ISLANDS.—We have received from J. Misrahi quite a list of varieties found on the new 1d War Tax stamp. We hardly think it necessary to list them, as without doubt an extended list will be available later.

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*Canada Jubilee, 3c rose, mint ..... .08
*Canada Jubilee, 5c blue, mint ..... .16
*Canada 1897, ½c black, mint ..... .02
Canada 1897, 8c orange, used ..... .05
*Canada 1898, ½c black, mint ..... .02
Canada Registration, 2 varieties ..... .04

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Canada, 1c No. 14, cat. .25 1
10c No. 16, cat. $1.50 8
12½c No. 19, cat. .75 4
China, 5c No. 54, cat. .15 1
10c No. 55, cat. .20 1
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TAKSE.—An overprint, meaning "Tax", applied to certain stamps of Albania to convert them into postage due samps.

TALENT DE BIEN FAIRE.—The motto shown upon the 5 reis stamp of the 1894 issue of Portugal. It is the family motto of Prince Henry, the Navigator, and means "Faculty of well doing".

TANGA.—The value shown upon many of the stamps of Portuguese India. Sixteen tangas are equal to a rupia and one tanga is equal to about 2c in United States currency.

TAPLING COLLECTION.—The famous collection of postage stamps in the British Museum bequeathed to the British nation by the late Mr. T. K. Tapling in 1891.

TARIF.—A word shown on the 1884 and 1886 postage due stamps of Egypt. It means literally "rate of charge" and refers to the amount to be paid on insufficiently prepaid or unpaid letters.

TAS.—These letters form a watermark in many of the stamps of Tasmania, and are, of course, merely the first three letters of that name.

TASA.—This word is shown upon the postage due stamps of Uruguay and means "tax".

TASMANIA.—An island state of the Commonwealth of Australia. Postage stamps were first issued on Nov. 1st, 1853.

TASSA GAZZETTE.—The inscription shown upon the newspaper stamps of Modena meaning "Newspaper Tax".

TASA POR COBRAR.—An inscription shown upon the postage due stamps of Cuba issued in 1914 meaning "Tax to collect".

TAXA DE FACTAGIU.—This inscription appears upon the parcel post stamps of Roumania and signifies "charge for porterage". These stamps do not represent postage paid but an extra charge made by the post office for the delivery of parcels.

TAXA DE PLATA.—An inscription shown upon the postage due stamps of Roumania meaning literally "money fine".

TAXA DEVIDA.—This inscription appears on all the postage due stamps of Brazil and means "Tax due".

TAXES.—A handstamp overprinted on many of the stamps of Congo. What particular significance it has is questionable. Some authorities claim they are postage due stamps and they are apparently only found in connection with stamps used for this specific purpose. On the other hand the postal auhorities of the Congo will not admit they are special postage due stamps. As stamps with this overprint are very frequently found unused the handstamp can hardly be considered a cancellation.

TAX STAMPS.—Stamps denoting an extra charge levied on letters, etc., which though not capable of prepaying postage by themselves have been a necessary preliminary to the forwarding of the packet. The war tax ("impuesto de guerre") stamps of Spain form an excellent example.

TCHONGKING.—A French possession in the north-east portion of the Indo-China peninsula. Since 1903 contemporary stamps of Indo-China have been specially overprinted for use here.

TCH'ONG K'ING.—An overprint shown on the stamps issued for use in Tchongking in 1906.

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TELEGRAFO NACIONAL.—These words appear upon the 1890 Telegraph stamps of the Argentine republic which were allowed to be used for postage. They signify "National Telegraphs".

TELEGRAFOS.—This word meaning "Telegraphs" is inscribed on many of the stamps of Spain, etc., to denote they were available for the prepayment of both postal and telegraph charges.

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TERRITORIOS ESPANOLES DEL GOLFO DE GUINEA.—(Spanish territories of the Gulf of Guinea). The inscription shown on the 1909 issue of stamps for Spanish Guinea. On later to "Terrs."

TETE.—A town in Portuguese East Africa which since 1913 has been supplied with its own distinctive stamps.

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TETUAN.—A Moroccan seaport at which Spain maintains a post office. Since 1908 the stamps used at this office have been overprinted "Tetuan".

T. F.—An overprint found on many of the stamps of the Orange Free State intended for use as telegraph stamps. Many of these were allowed to be used for postage in spite of the special overprint.

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SLAVONIA AND SLOVENE.

By H. Kuh.

The article "Jugo-Slavia" by Mr. James F. Hamill prompts me to make the following comment:

According to records at my disposal (dated 1907) Bosnia and Herzegovina has a population of 1,568,092, while the capital had a population of 38,083, which shows that the figure of 19,702, as given in the article by Mr. Hamill for the whole country is a gross error. I remember distinctly that Sarajevo had in 1902 (during my sojourn there) a population of about 30,000. My records show that the area is 23,262 square miles, while Mr. Hamill gives the country in dispute 1,568 square miles; the records I have at hand—and they are reliable—give Bosnia alone 41,969, with Herzegovina included 51,110 square *kilometers*. The percentage of inhabitants is as follows: 36 Mohammedans, 42 Greek orthodox, 19 Roman Catholics, the rest are Jews. The Greek orthodox have the same religion as the Servians in the kingdom of Servia and the language spoken is the same.

While the Austro-Hungarian Empire existed the official title of Croatia was "Kraljevina Hrvatska, *Slavonia* i Dalmatia" meaning Kingdom Croatia Slavonia and Dalmatia. Politically *Dalmatia* was under *Austrian* rule and in no way connected with Croatia and Slavonia except by racial and lingual ties, while Croatia and Slavonia were practically under *Hungarian* rule or sphere.

The capital of Croatia-Slavonia is Zagrek (otherwise known as Agram) and had in the nineties—when I went to school there—already a population of 65,000. Zagrek or Agram is in no way a city of cathedrals and universities, it has—as far as I know—*one* cathedral and ditto university, the latter being a limited one at that, since it has no medical faculty, and anyone wishing to study medicine has to go out of the country.

Laibach, or in Slovene language Ljubljana, is the capital of *Carniola*, a country in no way identical with *Slavonia*, but the language spoken in Carniola is called the Slovene language. The Slovenes call their country Slovenska, the Germans call it KRAIN. This shows plainly that *Slavonia* and *Slovene* are two different things. Carniola was under Austrian administration.

Now for the explanation of the meaning of DRZAVA, HRVATSKA, KRALJESTVO—the first word stands for the *State*, the second for *Croatia* (HRVAT means Croat, also fight, ergo a fighting people), the third word means *Kingdom* (KRALJ=King). S. H. S. stands for Srbska Hrvatska Slovenska" DRZAVANA POSTA signifies State post. The letters Z and S require a small hook the shape of a V, in which case the first letter is pronounced like the S in "measure," while the second letter is pronounced like S in "sure" The full meaning is: "State post—Servia, Croatia, Carniola" (or Slovenia if you like it, but on no account *Slavonia*). The stamps issued with the inscription "29. LISTOPADA" were issued for Croatia *only* (as far as I know). *Listopad*, meaning *October*, namely *list* standing for *leaf*, and *letter*, while *pad* means *to fall*, hence *fall of leaves*, October being the month of falling leaves; 29 being an ordinal number, in this case, a period must follow.

NEW ISSUE CHAT.

By Frederic C. De Puy.

The "noted man" on the 5k of the Slavonia stamps is undoubtedly King Peter of Serbia.

The word Hrvatska means Croatia.

I hope someone else is writing to tell you what Drzava and Kralievina mean, but I think the latter is something like "kingdom". It also occurs on the "Deathmask" and some other stamps of Serbia.

By the way, the "Cyrillic" alphabet used in Serbia and thereabout, is not exactly the same as the Russian alphabet used in Russia. This is a mistake frequently made by philatelic writers. The languages, of course, are quite different. I have been unable to find a Cyrillic dictionary or even a key to that alphabet, but the Russian alphabet is shown in Webster's Dictionary and also in the August 1894 issue of the *American Journal of Philately*.

It is interesting to note that the "hand—sword—chain" stamps of Russia are the first ones to have the name of that country upon them: (Rossiya). Previous Russian stamps have been inscribed "Postage Stamp" or, in the case of the Romanoff issue, merely "Postage."

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Never was a statement made but controversy could be aroused over it, even when applied to philatelic history. Only through the interest of those whose memories go back to earliest days can we add to our informative knowledge, after the bits themselves are one with Time.

In a letter of recent date, from which I am permitted to quote, Mr. G. C. Cuenod, of Galveston, Texas, says:

"In the latter part of 1860 or 1861, when a schoolboy, I had a price-list similar to the one referred to in your paper in MEKEEL'S WEEKLY for July 26 (Berger Levrault, of Strassburg). It was autographed on a four page sheet of writing paper, and priced many (for the time) stamps. This price-list was issued by M. De La Plante, of Paris. After begging my father for the wherewithal to send an order, as a New Year's gift, he consented, the order was dispatched, and the stamps came duly.

"I am positive this was not later than January 1, 1863. I am sorry I did not save M. De La Plante's list. Years afterward, when I had arrived at manhood's estate, I came across the bill for the stamps, among the files in my father's office."

Mr. Cuenod writes interestingly of his collecting days, in Switzerland. As a citizen of the Republic, he served in the Swiss army on the border, when France was at war with Germany, in 1870-71. "I saw actual fighting," the letter continues. However, Mr. Cuenod had no part in it. His interest still lay along philatelic lines. He says further:

"The French army operating near was compelled to ask admission into Switzerland, and was interned for several months. Hence the issue of the official label on pink paper, 'Militaire Francais,' &c. Alsace-Lorraine stamps seen at that time reawakened my interest in collecting, and after my return home I hunted up my old collection and started again. This was in 1871. I have never lost interest, and my collection still abides with me.

"It may interest you to know that I was personally acquainted with E. Stanley Gibbons, of London, and J. B. Moens, of Brussels."

There has come to me, through the courtesy of a stamp lover, "The Revenue Stamp Catalogue: Being a Descriptive Price-List of All Known Revenue Stamps. Price, 25 cents. New York and London: J. W. Scott & Co., 75 and 77 Nassau Street, New York. 46 Leadenhall Street, London, E. C., England."

I have found the näive statements made in the preface of interest. It is a long hark from 1874,—the issue of this first revenue catalogue,—to this year of grace, if one may term it grace. I quote for the benefit of the interested reader:

"It is with the greatest diffidence that we offer this little work to the Revenue Stamp Collectors of the World, being fully aware of its shortcomings, but when it is considered that this is the first attempt that has been made to classify and arrange the various revenue stamps that have been found dispersed among the postage stamp albums of amateurs, we hope its errors of omission will be pardoned."

The publishers also state "that they will pay 25 cents for the first specimen received of any revenue stamp not catalogued in its pages."

Besides the regular issues of revenue stamps of the United States and foreign countries, the catalogue quotes U. S. medicine stamps, match stamps, and state revenues. No distinction is made of paper, watermark, or perforation. Interest in match stamps now should make a comparison of prices worthy of passing mention.

In 1874 the Thomas Allen match stamp was catalogued by Scott at 50 cents. The latest Scott's lists it at $5. The Barber Match Co., 1c blue, is unchanged in price, however, five cents purchasing the stamp today. But the 1c, blue, Henning & Bonhack, worth 25 cents in 1874 is priced at $10 today. The Brown & Durling 1c green is listed at $1,—the highest price in the catalogue for a match stamp. Scott quotes the stamp in 1919 at $4.

Canada revenues, which are always a favorite with me, seem to be well priced, as a rule, for the varieties quoted. The scarcer stamps, however, have risen in value, while the commoner varieties still continue almost stationary. It were well, then, for the collector of today to possess the varieties, for they will undoubtedly climb to the heights, while the common stamps seek their monetary as well as their philatelic level.

A copy of the Scott Postage stamp catalogue for 1873-4, from the same friendly collector, prices our United States stamps at prices that would make one break commandments. Think of paying $1.25 for an unused 90c 1869, or 50c for a used copy! Or you may care to fill that blank in the 1851 issue with a 30c unused at 25 cents, or a 90c unused at 75c. The choice was yours,—in 1874. An unused New York Postmaster's 5c stamp is listed at $2 unused, and $1 used. But why prolong the pangs? "That was many years ago!"

One of the most delightful bits of philatelic literature that comes to me is Warren H. Colson's little brochure, "Postage Stamps for Advanced Collectors." Mr. Colson writes charmingly, and enriches his output with informative notes of great value to the collector. The little calendar which accompanies his publication each month illustrates some rarity that the average collector would not otherwise be conversant with. Mr. Colson has placed our hobby on a higher level and his work should be appreciated. My file of his publication, almost complete, has given me great pleasure, and it is treasured with the few "items" that have been preserved from the sale of my philatelic library.

It pays to advertise,—especially in MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS! Shortly after the publication of a former paper, my philatelic library was sent away *en bloc*. I am not wholly bereft, however, as a few personal items and presentation bits still abide with me.

A friend who lives in my native state has written at length, describing his philatelic library. He has begun to accumulate duplicates, with the hope of arranging an exchange. This is a not unwise move to make, provided he can find some one with whom to exchange. Literature differs from stamps, and exchanging is not always so easy as one would wish. He has, however, his material well in hand, card catalogued, and he can quickly refer to any "item" at a moment's notice. This is more than could be said of the writer's collection of papers!

My friend has begun to garner the philatelic publications of his own state. The task will not be beyond him, although one bit of literature will never be recovered,—the first issue of "The Detroit Philatelist," back in the very early '90's: The issue was partly completed, and was then destroyed. It was afterward reprinted. I do not think anyone now interested in philately knows aught of this issue. I have seen it,—in fact, possessed several copies, but they were destroyed with other papers when I left the east a decade ago.

The beginner in literature would be well advised to specialize in the papers of his native state. As a rule, nearly everything can be picked up. Some of it may be rare, but Time deals kindly with the earnest collector. He may even see the circulars of Leslie Howard, who was a boyhood idol, living only a few blocks from my home in Detroit. He is well-known, these latter days, however, by his own name,—H. B. Seagrave. I well remember him. I believe the late E. F. Gambs bought the stock and business, including letters, of "Leslie Howard," offering them for sale later to some one ambitious to enter into business. A circular with the familiar name would look good to mine ancient eyes!

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1883 Official.
*1a, No. 237 .. .10
*4a, No. 239 ... .12
1899
*3p, No. 242 .. .12
1900-2 Official.
*½a, No. 244 .. .10
*1a, No. 245 .. .12
*2a, No. 246 ... .30
*3p, No. 247 ... .05
*½a, No. 248 .. .05
*2a, No. 250 ... .06
*4a, No. 253 ... .20
*8a, No. 255 ... .35

CHAMBA STATE.
1901
*3p, No. 15a .. .03
*3p, No. 19 .... .06
1886-01 Official.
*½a, No. 51 .... .03
*1a, No. 52 .... .05
*3p, No. 64 .... .08

FARIDKOT.
1886-1900
*1a, No. 102 ... .10
*3a, No. 104 .. .20
*3p, No. 110 .. .15

GWALIOR.
1903
*½a, No. 36 .... .04
*2a. No. 38 .... .08
*2a6p, No. 39.. .50
1902 Official.
*½a, No. 109 .. .05
*1a, No. 110 .. .30

JHIND.
1903
*½a, No. 64 .... .45
1903
*3p, No. 66 .... .05

PATIALA.
1906-9 Official.
*3p, No. 169 .. .04
*½a, No. 170.... .03
*1a, No. 171 .. .05
*2a, No. 172 .. .08
*½a, No. 180 .. .02

LUXEMBURG.
1892
*10c, No. 60 .. .06
*25c, No. 63 .. .06
1893 Official.
*10c, No. 262... .05
*25c, No. 265 .. .10
Above supplied in blocks of 4 at same rate.

MEXICO.
1899
1p, No. 302 .... .09
1903-10
4c, No. 306 .... .02
50c, No. 309 ... .06
1p, No. 319 .... .12
1914-15
*10c, No. 390 .. .03
*15c, No. 391 .. .04
*50c, No. 392 .. .06
*1p, No. 393 ... .15
*2c, No. 395 ... .02
*5c, No. 396 ... .03
*20c, No. 398 .. .08
*20c, No. 399 .. .30
*50c, No. 400 .. .18
1p, No. 432 ... .50
*1p, No. 464 ... 1.00
*1c, No. 500 ... .02
*2c, No. 501 ... .02
*3c, No. 502 ... .02
*4c, No. 503 ... .03
*5c, No. 504 ... .03
*10c, No. 505 .. .04
1915-16
*3c, No. 508 ... .02
*4c, No. 509 ... .07
40c, No. 512 ... .07
1p, No. 513 .... .07
*5p, No. 514 ... .45
1916
*3c, No. 568 ... .03
*5c, No. 569 ... .03
*10c, No. 570 .. .03
*15c, No. 571 .. .03
*50c, No. 572 .. .13
*10c, No. 574 .. .10
10c, No. 574 .. .10
25c, No. 580 .. .04
*1p, No. 600 .. .13
*1p, No. 601 .. .15
*2½p, No. 603 .. .15
1916-17
20c, No. 614 .. .03
30c, No. 615 .. .05
40c, No. 624 .. .05

NETHERLANDS.
1907 Postage Due.
5c, No. 231 .... .06
10c, No. 234 .. .07
1912 Postage Due.
½c to 15c,
10 var. ..... .25

NORWAY.
1872-77
*2s, No. 17 ... .12
6s, No. 20 .... .35
35o, No. 29 ... .08
50o, No. 30 .... .05
60o, No. 31 .... .08
1kr, No. 32 .... .07
1k50o, No. 33.. .35
2kr, No. 34 .... .20
1911
1kr, No. 93 .... .08
1kr50o, No. 94.. .30

PANAMA.
We have just secured two fine collections that are replete in blocks, strips and errors. Simply "Heaven" for a specialist. Want lists are solicited.

PARAGUAY.
1903-4
*60c, No. 90 .. .20
*10c, No. 101 .. .20
1908
5p, No. 140 .... .70
20c, No. 177.... .06
1908
30c, No. 178 ... .07
1p, No. 180 .... .15
20c, No. 187 ... .06
20c, No. 188 ... .06
20c on 50c,No.204 .05

REUNION.
1891
5c, No. 20 ..... .02
10c, No. 21 .... .03
15c, No. 22 .... .02
*2c on 20c, No.34 .05
1892
*4c, No. 39 .... .03
*5c, No. 40 .... .10
*10c, No. 41 .. .06
25c, No. 44 .... .05
1900
10c, No. 51 .... .10
15c, No. 52 .... .04
1912-17
*5c on 15c, No. 76 .06
*5c on 30c, No. 79 .15
*10c on 40c,No.80 .10
*15c, No. 83 ... .04
1915-16 Charity.
*10c+5c, No. 152 .35
*10c+5c, No. 153 .07
1907 Postage Due.
*5c, No. 206 .. .02
*10c, No. 207 .. .04
*15c, No. 208 .. .06
20c, No. 209 .... .07

ST. PIERRE & MIQUELON.
1909
*20c, No. 84 .. .06
*35c, No. 87.... .11
1912
*5c on 2c, No. 95 .10
*5c on 4c, No. 96 .03
*5c on 15c, No. 97 .03
*5c on 20c, No. 98 .04
*5c on 25c, No. 99 .03
*5c on 30c, No.100 .04
*5c on 35c, No.101 .07
*10c on 40c,No.102 .06
*10c on 50c,No.103 .07
*10c on75c,No.104 .12
*10c on1fr,No.105 .12
1917
*15c, No. 106 .. .04
1915-17 Charity.
*10c+5c, No. 201 .12
*15c+5c, No. 202 .09

SALVADOR.
1907
*1c, No. 355.... .02
*2c, No. 356.... .03
*2c, No. 356a .. .06
*3c, No. 357 ... .03
*5c, No. 358 ... .03
*6c, No. 359 ... .03
*10c, No. 360 .. .03
*12c, No. 361 .. .03
*13c, No. 362 .. .03
*24c, No. 363 .. .05
*26c, No. 364 .. .05
*50c, No. 365 .. .10
*50c, No. 365a.. .90
*100c, No. 366.. .20
1909
*1c, No. 369 ... .02
*2c, No. 370 ... .02
*3c, No. 371 ... .03
*5c, No. 372 ... .05
*10c, No. 373... .10
1908 Postage Due.
*1c, No. 555 ... .20
*2c, No. 556 ... .10
*3c, No. 557 ... .35
*5c, No. 558 ... .35
*10c, No. 559 .. .65
*1c, No. 560 ... .14
*2c, No. 561 ... .16
*3c, No. 562 ... .16
*5c, No. 563 ... .16
*10c, No. 564 .. .50
1908 Official.
*1c, No. 910 ... .03
*2c, No. 911 ... .03
*3c, No. 912 ... .03
*5c, No. 913 ... .03
*10c, No. 914 .. .05
*13c, No. 915 .. .05
*15c, No. 916 .. .06
*24c, No. 917 .. .10
*50c, No. 918 .. .10
*100c, No. 919.. .15
All the above in blocks of 4 at same rate.

SENEGAL.
1906
25c, No. 64 .... .15
1912
*5c on 15c,No. 73 .03
*10c on 40c,No.76 .06
1913-17
25c, No. 85 .... .07
30c, No. 86 .... .09
*35c, No. 87 ... .10
40c, No. 88 ... .12
15c, No. 95 .... .05
1915-17 Charity.
*10+5c, No. 151 .07
*15+5c, No. 152 .09
1906-14 Postage Due.
*5c, No. 204 ... .04
*5c, No. 212 .. .02
*10c, No. 213 .. .04
*15c, No. 214 .. .04
20c, No. 215 ... .06

SERBIA.
1901
*5p, No. 59 .... .02
*10p, No. 60 ... .03
*15p, No. 61 ... .03
*20p, No. 62 ... .04
*25p, No. 63 ... .04
*50p, No. 64 ... .05
*1d, No. 65 .... .15
1904
*5p, No. 79 .... .03
*10p, No. 80 ... .03
*15p, No. 81 ... .06
*25p, No. 82 ... .08
*50p, No. 83 ... .10
*1d, No. 84 .... .35
*3d, No. 85 .... .70
*5d, No. 86.... 1.00
Above supplied in blocks of 4 at same rate.

URUGUAY.
1895-98
7c, No. 105 .... .75
1c, No. 116 .... .04
5c, No. 117 .... .06
1c, No. 130 .... .25
5c, No. 132 .... .45
*1c, No. 136 ... .04
*1c, No. 137 ... .10
1904-10
10c, No. 164 ... .06
20c, No. 165 ... .15
25c, No. 166 ... .15
7c, No. 172 .... .06
50c, No. 173 ... .30
*5c, No. 183 ... .15
*5m, No. 184 ... .06

TUNIS.
1888
40c, No. 15 .... .06
1901
15c, No. 24 .... .03
25c, No. 25 .... .03
35c, No. 26 .... .09
1906-8
15c, No. 33 .... .03
20c, No. 34 .... .02
25c, No. 35 .... .02
35c, No. 36 .... .03
40c, No. 37 .... .08
75c, No. 38 .... .15
1fr, No. 39 .... .18
2fr, No. 40 .... .35
5fr, No. 41 .... .70
*10c on 15c,No.42 .06
1916 Charity.
*5c, No. 102 ... .02
*10c on35c,No.106 .14
*10c on40c,No.107 .17
*10c on 1fr,No.109 .35
1901 Postage Due.
5c, No. 153 .... .02
20c, No. 155 ... .02
30c, No. 156 .... .08
1906 Parcel Post.
5c, No. 201 .... .02
40c, No. 205 .... .03
50c, No. 206 .... .03
75c, No. 207 ... .05
2fr, No. 209 .... .12
5fr, No. 210 .... .70

HAYTI.
1887
1c, No. 21 .... .06
2c, No. 22 .... .06
3c, No. 23 ..... .06
5c, No. 24 .... .05
1890-91
*2c on 3c, No. 25 .06
*1c, No. 26 .... .06
*2c, No. 27 .... .06
*3c, No. 28 .... .06
3c, No. 28a .... .06
5c, No. 29 ..... .03
*20c, No. 30 ... .25
1893
1c, No. 32 .... .02
2c, No. 33 ..... .02
5c, No. 35 .... .02
7c, No. 36 ..... .06
20c, No. 37 .... .12
1896
*1c, No. 38 .... .02
*2c, No. 39 .... .03
*3c, No. 40 .... .03
*5c, No. 41 .... .03
*7c, No. 42 .... .03
*20c, No. 43 .... .05
1898
*2c on 20c,No.44 .07
*2c on 20c,No.45 .04
*2c, No. 47 ..... .03
*5c, No. 49 .... .03
1898-99
1c, No. 52 ..... .02
2c, No. 53 .... .02
*3c, No. 54 .... .02
*4c, No. 55 .... .03
*5c, No. 56 .... .03
*7c, No. 57 .... .03
*8c, No. 58 .... .02
*10c, No. 59 .... .03
*15c, No. 60 ... .15
*20c, No. 61 ... .10
*50c, No. 62 ... .08
*1g, No. 63 .... .15
*2c, No. 65 ..... .03
*5c, No. 66 .... .03
1902
*1c, No. 67 ..... .08
*1c, No. 68 .... .03
*2c, No. 69 .... .08
*2c, No. 70 .... .03
1902
*3c, No. 71 .... .05
*4c, No. 72 .... .06
*5c, No. 73 .... .10
*5c, No. 74 .... .04
*7c, No. 75 .... .08
*8c, No. 76 .... .08
*10c, No. 77.... .08
*50c, No. 80.... .50
*1g, No. 81 .... .75
1904
*7c, No. 85 .... .03
*20c, No. 87.... .06
*50c, No. 88.... .08
*2c, No. 90 .... .02
*5c, No. 91 .... .03
*7c, No. 92 .... .03
*10c, No. 93.... .05
*50c, No. 95.... .08
*10c, No. 99.... .03
*20c, No. 100... .04
*50c, No. 101... .08
*1c, No. 102.... .02
*2c, No. 103.... .02
*5c, No. 104.... .02
*10c, No. 105... .03
*20c, No. 106... .04
*50c, No. 107... .08
1906
*1c on 20c,No.108 .02
2c, No. 126 .... .02
3c, No. 127 .... .03
4c, No. 128 .... .05
5c, No. 129 .... .02
10c, No. 132.... .05
1907
*1c on 5c,No.143 .03
*1c on 20c,No.144 .03
*2c on 10c,No.145 .03
*2c on 50c,No.146 .03
*1c on 5c,No.147 .10
*1c on 10c,No.148 .03
*2c on 20c,No.152 .25
1912-15
5c, No. 167 .... .02
*5c, No. 223.... .05
*10c, No. 226... .10
*1c, No. 237 .... .03
*1c, No. 238 ... .13
*1c, No. 239 ... .02
*1c, No. 240 ... .25

RUSSIA CHINA.
1k, No. 424 .... .01
2k, No. 426 .... .02
3k, No. 428 .... .03
4k, No. 430 .... .03
7k, No. 432 .... .04
10k, No. 433 ... .05
14k, No. 434 ... .06
15k, No. 436 ... .08
35k, No. 440 ... .15
70k, No. 444 ... .40
1r, No. 446 .... .75
*1c, No. 450 .... .02
*2c, No. 451 ... .02
*3c, No. 452 ... .03
*4c, No. 453 .... .03
*5c, No. 454 ... .04
*10c, No. 455 ... .08
*14c, No. 456 ... .12
*15c, No. 457 ... .15
*20c, No. 458 ... .18
*25c, No. 459 ... .25
*35c, No. 460 ... .30
*50c, No. 461 .. .45
*70c, No. 462 .. .60
*$1, No. 463 ... .80
*$3.50, No. 464.. 2.75
*$5, No. 465 .. 4.00
*$7, No. 466 ... 5.00

RUSSIA TURKEY.
*4pa, No. 627 .. .03
*4pa, No. 628 .. .04
*10pa, No. 631.. .03
*20pa, No. 632.. .04
1pia, No. 633 .. .05
*5pia, No. 635 .. .30
*7pia, No. 636.. .40
*10pia, No. 637 .75
*35pia, No. 638 2.25
*70pia, No. 639 4.00
*5pa, No. 640.. .02
*10pa, No. 641.. .02
*20pa, No. 642.. .05
*1pia, No. 643.. .07
*5pia, No. 644.. .40
*5pa, No. 661.. .02
*10pa, No. 662.. .03
*20pa, No. 663. .05
*1pia, No. 664.. .08
*5pa, No. 670 .. .05
*5pa, No. 671 .. .02
*20pa, No. 663.. .05
*1pia, No. 674.. .08
*5pia, No. 675.. .40
*7pia, No. 676.. .70
*5pa, No. 680.. .05
*10pa, No. 682.. .03
*20pa, No. 683. .05
*1pia, No. 684.. .08
*5pia, No. 685 .. .40
*7pia, No. 686.. .70
*5pa, No. 690.. .05
*5pa, No. 691.. .02
*10pa, No. 692. .03
*20pa, No. 693. .05
*1pia, No. 694.. .08
*5pia, No. 695.. .40
*5pa, No. 700.. .05
*5pa, No. 701.. .02
*10pa, No. 702.. .03
*20pa, No. 703.. .05
*1pia, No. 704.. .08
*5pia, No. 705.. .40
*7pia, No. 706.. .70
*5pa, No. 710... .05
*5pa, No. 731... .02
*10pa, No. 732.. .03
*20pa, No. 733.. .05
*1pia, No. 734.. .08
*7pia, No. 736.. .70
*5pa, No. 740 .. .05
*5pa, No. 741 .. .02
*10pa, No. 742.. .03
*20pa, No. 743.. .05
*1pia, No. 744.. .08
*5pia, No. 745.. .40
*7pia, No. 746.. .70
*5pa, No. 750.. .05
*5pa, No. 751.. .02
*10pa, No. 752.. .03
*20pa, No. 753.. .05
*1pia, No. 754.. .08
*5pia, No. 755.. .40
*7pia, No. 756.. .70
*5pa, No. 760 .. .02
*5pa, No. 761 .. .02
*10pa, No. 762.. .03
*20pa, No. 763.. .05
*1pia, No. 764.. .08
*5pia, No. 765.. .40
*7pia, No. 766.. .70
*5pa, No. 771.. .02
*20pa, No. 773.. .05
*1pia, No. 774.. .08
*5pa, No. 781 .. .02
*20pa, No. 783.. .05
*1pia, No. 784.. .08
*5pia, No. 785.. .40
*7pia, No. 786.. .70
*5pa, No. 791 .. .02
*10pa, No. 792.. .03
*20pa, No. 793.. .05
*1pia, No. 794.. .08
*20pa, No. 800.. .06
*5pa, No. 801.. .02
*10pa, No. 802.. .03
*20pa, No. 803.. .05
*1pia, No. 804.. .08
*5pia, No. 805.. .30
*20pa, No. 808.. .04
*1½pia, No. 809 .10
*2pia, No. 810.. .13
*2½pia, No. 811 .15
*3½pia, No. 812 .20
*5pa, No. 813 .. .05
*10pa, No. 814.. .05
*15pa, No. 815.. .06
*20pa, No. 816.. .08
*1pia, No. 817.. .10
*15pa, No. 828.. .03

RUSSIA.
3½r, No. 67 ... .25
7r, No. 68 .... .20
5r, No. 71 .... .35
10r, No. 72 .... .20
35k, No. 98 0
50k, No. 99 1
70k, No. 100.... .1
*2k, No. 312 2

BOSNIA.
20h, No. 52 .... .06
25h, No. 53 .... .06
35h, No. 55 .... .13
40h, No. 56 .... .13
50h, No. 58 1
12h, No. 62 0
60h, No. 63 2
72h, No. 64 2

NICARAGUA.
1869
*1c, No. 3 ..... .08
*2c, No. 4 ..... .06
*5c, No. 5 ..... .30
*10c, No. 6 .... .07
*25c, No. 7 .... .10
1878
*1c, No. 8 ..... .03
*2c, No. 9 ..... .40
*5c, No. 10 .... .25
*10c, No. 11 ... .30
*25c, No. 12 ... .15
1882
*15c, No. 17 ... .03
*20c, No. 18 ... .03
*50c, No. 19 ... .20
1890
*20c, No. 24 ... .03
*50c, No. 25 ... .03
*1p, No. 26 ... .03
*2p, No. 27 ... .03
*5p, No. 28 .... .03
*10p, No. 29 ... .03
1891
*10c, No. 33 ... .03
*20c, No. 34 ... .03
*50c, No. 35 ... .03
*1p, No. 36 .... .03
*2p, No. 37 .... .03
*5p, No. 38 .... .03
*10p, No. 39 ... .03
1892
*10c, No. 43 ... .03
*20c, No. 44 ... .03
*50c, No. 45 ... .02
*1p, No. 46 .... .03
*2p, No. 47 .... .03
*5p, No. 48 .... .02
*10p, No. 49 ... .03
1893
*10c, No. 54 ... .03
*20c, No. 55 ... .02
*50c, No. 56 ... .02
*1p, No. 57 .... .03
*2p, No. 58 .... .10
*5p, No. 59 .... .03
*10p, No. 60 ... .03
1894
*5c, No. 63 .... .02
*10c, No. 64 .... .02
*20c, No. 65 .... .02
*25c, No. 65b .. .07
*50c, No. 66 ... .02
*2p, No. 68 .... .04
*5p, No. 69 .... .06
1900
*1c, No. 121 ... .02
*2c, No. 122 .... .02
*3c, No. 123 .... .03
*4c, No. 124.... .03
*5c, No. 125.... .15
*6c, No. 126.... 1.50
10c, No. 127.... .02
15c, No. 128.... .05
*20c, No. 129 .. .12
*2p, No. 132.... .50
*5p, No. 133 .. .65
1901-02
50c, No. 142 ... .25
*20c, No. 156 .. .25
30c, No. 157 ... .08
*50c, No. 158 .. .40
*5c, No. 159 ... .03
5c, No. 160 ..... .03
10c, No. 161 .... .03
*30c on 1c,No.163 .20
1903
*1c, No. 167 ... .05
*2c, No. 168 ... .05
*5c, No. 169 ... .05
*10c, No. 170 .. .07
*15c, No. 171 .. .10
*20c, No. 172 .. .10
*50c, No. 173 .. .10
*1p, No. 174 ... .10
1904-05
*15c, No. 176... .13
*15c, No. 177... .25
*5c, No. 178.... .08
*1c, No. 179.... .01
*2c, No. 180.... .02
*3c, No. 181.... .02
*4c, No. 182.... .02
*5c, No. 183.... .02
*6c, No. 184.... .04
*10c, No. 185... .04
1904-05
*15c, No. 186 .. .1
*20c, No. 187 .. .0
*50c, No. 188 .. .0
*1p, No. 189.... .0
*2p, No. 190.... .0
*5p, No. 191.... .1
1906-07
10c on 3c,No.194 .0
*10c on4c,No.195 2.5
15c on 1c,No.196 .0
*20c on 2c,No.197 .1
*20c on 5c,No.198 .1
*50c on 6c,No.199 .1
*4c, No. 204.... .1
10c, No. 205.... .0
10c on 2c,No.212 .0
1909-10
*10c on 2p,No.235 .3
*10c on5p,No.236 1.0
*2p, No. 248 2
10c on 15c,No.250 .0
5c on 20c,No.254 .0
10c on 15c,No.255 .0
1911
*2c on 3c, No.256 .0
10c on 15c,No.257 .1
*10c on50c,No.258 .0
*10c on 1p,No.259 .0
*2c on 4c,No.260 .0
*5c on 20c,No.261 .0
*10c on15c,No.262 .0
10c on 2p,No.265 .1
*2c on 5p,No. 266 .0
*2c on 5p,No.267 .0
*10c on25c,No.269 .0
*10c on 2p,No.270 .0
*35c on 1p,No.271 .1
*2c on 1c, No.290 .0
*5c on 1c, No.291 .0
*10c on 1c,No.292 .0
1912
*3c, No. 297.... .02
*4c, No. 298.... .02
*5c, No. 299.... .02
*6c, No. 300.... .03
*10c, No. 301... .03
15c, No. 302.... .03
20c, No. 303.... .04
25c, No. 304.... .05
50c, No. 306.... .08
1913
15c on 35c,No.310 .05
2c on 4c, No. 318 .10
2c on 35c,No.321 .03
2c on 50c,No.322 .06
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STAMPS OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

By BERTRAM W. H. POOLE.

CHAPTER I.—*Historical.*

Prince Edward Island, the smallest and most densely populated (48 to the square mile) of the provinces of Canada, lies in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, separated by the Northumberland Strait from the provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. Its greatest length is 130 miles; its breadth varies from 4 to 34 miles, and it has an area of 2133 square miles, or 1,365,400 acres, nearly all of which are occupied. Its population of more than 105,000 are chiefly of British descent, though there are some Acadians (14,000) and about 300 Indians. The Island is extremely irregular in outline, and some of the inlets penetrate far inland dividing it into three peninsulas. It was discovered by the Cabots, and annexed by France, but little was done towards its settlement until 1715, when its fertility attracted some Acadians from Cape Breton. It was captured by the British in 1755 and finally passed into their undisputed possession in 1763. At first a part of Nova Scotia, it was, in 1768, made a separate colony. The population in 1763 was 4000; but emigration set in and the Acadians were expelled so that in 1768 it had sunk to 1300. Until 1799 it was known as St. John's Island but was then renamed Prince Edward Island, in compliment to the Duke of Kent, who paid it a visit.

The surface of the island is undulating but never exceeds 500 feet, and the soil is so fertile that it is frequently known as the "Garden of the Gulf". Owing to its fertility, agriculture occupies the greater part of the population, though its fisheries are valuable, its oysters in particular being famous. The climate is milder than that of the mainland and freer from togs, though the ports are icebound during the winter months of December to May. Charlottetown (12,000) is the capital, and other towns are Summerside, Georgetown and Souris. A railway traverses the island, which is connected with the mainland by telegraph.

The government is administered by a lieutenant-governor appointed by the Dominion, and a Legislative Assembly of thirty members, elected for four years. The province is represented in the Dominion Parliament by four senators and five members of the House of Commons.

The province joined the Dominion of Canada on July 1st, 1873.

CHAPTER II.—*Postal Rates.*

Prince Edward Island was the last of the British North American colonies to issue stamps though it was empowered to do so at the same time as the others. No reason accounting for the delay has ever been adduced and it is certainly surprising that with its constant postal relations with the other colonies and its recognition of their postage stamps that Prince Edward Island did not issue stamps until January 1st, 1861. The first Post-Office Act—a somewhat lengthy document—was passed on May 15th, 1851, the most interesting items relating to postal rates being as follows:—

"5. And be it enacted, That in conformity with the agreements made between the Local Governments of British North America, the Colonial postage on letters and packets, not being newspapers or printed pamphlets, magazines or books, entitled to pass at the lower rates hereinafter referred to, shall not exceed the rate of three pence currency the half ounce for any distance within this Island; and the increase of charge on letters weighing over half an ounce shall be regulated according to the British rule and scale of weights; that no transit postage shall be charged on any letter or packet passing through this island, or any part thereof, to any other Colony in British North America, unless it be posted in this Island, and the sender chose to prepay it, nor on any letter or packet from any such Colony, if prepaid there, and that two pence sterling the half ounce shall remain in operation as regards letters by British Mails, to be extended to countries having postal communication with the United Kingdom, unless Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom shall see fit to alter the rate thereon to be changed to threepence currency.

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12. And be it enacted, That in no case shall the rate of postage for the inland conveyance, within this Island, of letters and packets, not being newspapers, printed pamphlets, magazines, or books, entitled to pass at lower rates, as herein mentioned, exceed the rate of twopence currency per half ounce; and the increase of charge on letters weighing over half an ounce shall be regulated according to the British rule and scale of weights."

The statute above referred to makes no mention of postage stamps, but on March 9th, 1860, an amendment act was passed which not only authorised the issue and use of postage stamps, but entered much more minutely into the postal rates chargeable on letters, etc., to all parts of the world. In the original Act prepayment of postage was optional but in the amended Act prepayment is made obligatory on letters to Great Brtain though payment by means of postage stamps was not specified. Letters which were not prepaid, or only partly prepaid, were subject to fine on delivery, this fine being fixed at "sixpence sterling money of Great Britain" and "said fines and all moneys arising therefrom shall be divided equally between the United Kingdom and this Island."

In the *Monthly Journal* for 1895 Mr. Donald A. King reproduces this amended Act and the voluminous Instructions to Postmasters and as the matter is of considerable interest we give copious extracts from the latter, viz.:—

"15. All letters transmitted by post within Prince Edward Island to any part of British North America (except Newfoundland, Bermuda, and the West India Islands) will be liable to a uniform rate of threepence currency the half-ounce — payment optional, — the charge to be made in accordance with the following scale:

On a letter not exceeding one-half ounce in weight 1 rate 0s 3d

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16. Unpaid letters to Nova Scotia and Cape Breton are liable to a fine of threepence in addition to the above rates.

17. Letters to be forwarded to Newfoundland or Bermuda are liable to a charge of ninepence currency per rate, 3d of which must be prepaid. Newspapers addressed to the foregoing places are subject to a charge of one penny halfpenny currency, which must be prepaid.

18. Newspapers for British Colonies, via England, as New Zealand, Australia, India, etc., are liable to a charge of twopence sterling each, which must be prepaid.

19. Letters sent by post to the United States, via St. John, New Brunswick, are subject to a charge of sixpence for every letter not exceeding half an ounce.

20. Letters to California are subject to the charge of ninepence each rate.

21. Newspapers to any part of the United States free.

22. Letters forwarded by post, via Halifax, to and from the United States, are subject to the British packet postage charge of sixpence, as well as the Colonial one of threepence,—together ninepence currency on each rate, independent of the United States rate of postage.

23. On letters between any part of Prince Edward Island and the United Kingdom the rate is a uniform charge of sixpence sterling or ninepence currency the half-ounce, at the option of the sender, but letters posted unpaid are liable to a fine of sixpence sterling each, in addition to the postage. Newspapers to any part of the United Kingdom free. Postmasters are permitted to examine newspapers to see that the conditions are complied with, and if violated, to charge letter postage thereon.

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48. Printed books, magazines, reviews, and pamphlets (whether British, Colonial, or Foreign) may be transmitted by post between Prince Edward Island and the United Kingdom, at the following rates of postage:

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Not exceeding 16 oz. 1s stg.
Not exceeding 1½ lbs. 1s 6d stg.

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50. Books, pamphlets, or periodical publications may be transmitted by post within this Island, at the rate of one penny per ounce, up to sixteen ounces, beyond which weight no printed book, publication, or pamphlet can be transmitted by post.

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No special amendment was made to the Post-office Act and existing rates were retained after being converted into the new currency.

(To be continued.)

REMITTANCES ABROAD.

By THORN SMITH.

I note Mr. Ferguson's suggestion re sending money to foreign dealers by draft. Suppose that Mr. Ferguson wanted to buy stamps to the value of 1200 kronen in Austria from a published list and suppose that he went two months ago to his bank and secured a draft at a cost of $28. He sent the draft to the foreign dealer who refused to accept it on such an "aus landiaches Valuta" and forthwith returned. It arrives some 30 days after and Mr. Ferguson goes to the bank to see what can be done about it. It is now worth about $12. and tomorrow $10. What is the next move? Mine is to hold for a rise to par and get about $250. But when? The moral is that one should know what the foreign dealer is going to do with the draft before one secures it.

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Albert, King of the Belgians, admitted being a stamp collector to a reporter soon after arriving in N. Y. and expressed a strong desire to make a trip to Nassau Street and a few calls incognito at several of the stamp places. However, Mr. Nye objected strongly to his mingling with Nassau St. crowds as the street is narrow and he would not consider it safe.

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UNITED STATES 1c 1857-60.

By ELLIOTT PERRY.

(*Continued from page* 379.)

Now comes a gap in the sequence of the 1c plates. What happened to plates Nos. 4, 5 and 6, if they ever existed, is still a mystery. It is barely possible some of the stamps assigned to plates Nos. 7, 8, 9, 10 may have come from the three missing plates, or it may be that these plates were identical with the plate known as No. 3, but both of these possibilities are exceedingly unlikely. No stamps bearing the plate numbers 3, 4, 5 or 6 have been noted since intensive study of these 1c issues began. The plate No. 3 stamps are far too rare for the writer to believe they came from more than one plate and the plate 7-8-9-10 stamps are far too common for there to have been three more similar plates and no stamps from the three latter with plate numbers.

The Carpenter letter which refers to the new plates made for perforated stamps in 1857 mentions only three 1c plates, which perhaps are the missing Nos. 4, 5 and 6, or may refer to the first three of the six plates—Nos. 7 to 12 inclusive—known to have been used for the perforated 1c stamps and made after 1856. There is no way of telling which plates were the three referred to. The same letter mentions only six "new" 3c plates, but there were nineteen 3c plates made during and after 1857.

In many respects plate No. 3 belongs to the perforate period 1857-60 rather than to the preceding imperforate period. Throughout these three years many of the 1c to 24c plates were produced from six relief transfers in exactly the same manner as was plate No. 3. Identically the same arrangement is found over and over again—first and second horizontal rows different from each other and from all the others: 3rd, 4th and 5th rows repeated in the 7th, 8th and 9th; 6th and 10th row stamps with identical tops and similar or different bottoms—all the plates with guide dots at the top of the top row and between the 6th and 7th rows. Even if we accept Dr. Chase's theory that these plates were from seven relief transfers used 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 3, 4, 5, 7 in each vertical row, that does not alter the fact that plate No. 3 is far more closely related to the perforated period than to the imperforate. None of the plates made for imperforate stamps bear any resemblance to plate No. 3.

The date of the contract whereby the Carpenter firm was to furnish perforated stamps was February 6, 1857. The writer thinks most collectors will agree with him that the postmaster general did not restrict his whole consideration of the matter to the day when the contract was signed, and that he must have had perforation of the stamps in mind for several months. No doubt the contractors knew what was coming and prepared for it. There were only eighteen days between the date of the contract and the first delivery of perforated stamps, all of which indicates they had been preparing for perforation for a considerable time. For these reasons the present writer favors the Stevenson theory that plate No. 3 was constructed purposely to use for perforated stamps.

PLATES 7, 8, 9, 10.

These plates were in use about three years and the stamps from them are all type III—the commonest variety of the perforated 1c stamp. Although the stamps have sold for ten or fifteen cents a piece in average condition for many years there is still considerable to be learned about them. Dr. Chase says these plates were made from a new transfer roll, while Mr. Stevenson attributes them to the same roller from which plate No. 3 was made. Lack of sufficient material prevents the writer from demonstrating which theory is correct but from the material at hand it would appear the plate 7-8-9-10 stamps are spaced closer together vertically than the plate No. 3 stamps and that all of them therefore could not have come from the same transfer.

The stamps from plates 7, 8, 9, 10 are quite different from any of the stamps on plate No. 3. Every relief on the new roller and every stamp on the plate is a perfect type III, for each relief has the middle of both the upper and the lower arc clearly cut away for about one-third of the length of the arcs. Therefore there are no type I, no type II and no combination or intermediate types on these four plates. Only a very slight trace of the ball shaped ornament characteristic of type I can be found and this only below the right scroll at the bottom of the stamps in the bottom rows.

With a little study the six reliefs can readily be differentiated. The left end of the lower arc stops below the N or the E of ONE, or between those letters, and always stops at the same point on the same relief. The 6th relief is cut away slightly more in the 6th row than in the 10th row and no trace of the ball shaped ornament is found on the stamps from the 6th rows. This relief was damaged at the top over the letters OS of POSTAGE and shows signs of an attempt to repair the damage. The repairing was done by recutting on the die.

One reason why the writer does not believe in Dr. Chase's theory of seven reliefs on these 1c and other plates is because the seven relief theory necessarily also completes the belief that two entirely distinct reliefs—one used only for the 6th rows and the other used only for the 10th rows—both reliefs having top designs so closely identical that the writer cannot tell them apart,—were both damaged and repaired in exactly the same way. As Artemus Ward might say—that iz tu mutch!

These type III stamps differ from all the stamps on the earlier 1c plates in having the ornamental scrolls at the sides partially trimmed away. On the earlier plates—Nos. 1, 2, and 3—the tops and bottoms of the stamps are more or less complete but the side ornaments were not altered. All the stamps from plates 7, 8, 9, 10 are believed to have been perforated but imperforate copies are occasionally seen. In all probability, such imperforates are perforated copies with the perforations trimmed off, even if on the original covers.

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People had been cutting their stamps apart with shears for ten years before perforated stamps were issued and for a while they kept right on separating them that way to a much greater extent than is generally supposed.

The genuine type III stamps are so rare imperforate and so common perforated that considerable temptation for fraud exists. In order to protect himself from imposition of this kind all the collector needs to know is what the plate 7-8-9-10 stamps look like and that any alleged imperforate type III with side ornaments incomplete like any of the seven varieties on these four plates is either open to suspicion or else is certainly a fraud. Like other plates of the 1857-60 series, these four 1c plates have the stamps very close together vertically and further apart horizontally, so it is possible to obtain fairly satisfactory side margins while good margins at *both* top and bottom are quite impossible. The faked imperforate type III stamps almost always will be cut close at either top or bottom—if not both.

In order to account for certain peculiarities of these type III stamps and to answer a well-founded criticism of the multiple transfer theory the writer begs lieve to offer the following theory regarding the method by which the multiple transfer rolls were made. The writer's original conception of the multiple transfer rolls—that is, rollers containing several reliefs which were rocked onto the plate as a unit—was that the blank roller was first rocked over the original die two or four or six times as the case might be, in as many different but closely adjacent positions, and thereby there were produced on its circumference several stamp designs in relief, the bottom of the first relief practically touching the top of the second, and so on, and that the alterations in the tops and bottoms of the stamp designs as found on the plates were made by cutting away portions of the reliefs on the roller, thus leaving the intervals between them which became the spaces for perforation on the stamp sheets.

If it were mechanically possible to accomplish this, many of the varieties found on the 1857-60 plates would be perfectly accounted for, but the writer has been informed that the designs could not be rocked so closely together on the transfer roll from a single die, and besides, that method does not afford an adequate explanation for the markings like scratches which occur at the sides of many of the stamps on plates 7, 8, 9, 10. Reliefs No. 2, No. 3 and No. 4, which produced the stamps in the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 7th and 8th horizontal rows, show these markings, particularly at the right side. The marks on each of the three reliefs are distinctly different and must have been on the transfer roll, although they could not have been put on there after the stamp designs had been transferred to it.

What caused these markings, where did they come from, and how did they get on the transfer roll? Obviously they could not have been on a single die used to make multiple relief transfer roll according to the writer's original conception, because then each relief would have had them and they would all be just alike on all the reliefs. But if they were not on the die they could not be on the transfer roll, simply because it is possible only to erase lines on the roller—no lines can be added there.

Study of this problem leads to a consideration of the possibility of there having been a multiple supplementry die used. If, instead of using a single relief transfer to make the plate, a multiple transfer was used, why could not a *multiple die* have been used to make the multiple transfer instead of a single subject die? No one knows just what did happen, but in order to understand the facts as they are found on the stamps we should consider the explanation that will explain the most facts and by the theory of a multiple die more facts regarding the 1857-60 plates, and in particular the 1c plates Nos. 7, 8, 9, 10, can be explained than by any other theory known to the writer.

This is the theory:—A single transfer was taken from the original single die. This transfer was rocked six times onto a die block large enough to accomodate six stamp designs placed as far apart as was necessary. These six new dies were then cut apart and the surplus metal at their upper and lower ends was removed, after which they were hardened and locked together in a vertical row, making one long multiple die of six units. A six relief transfer was then taken from the six unit die and used to make the plates. Alterations of the stamp designs could be effected on the multiple die or on the multiple transfer, or on both of them. The reliefs could be placed as closely together as was desired and any scratches or alterations on the units of the multiple die would be reproduced on the corresponding units of the multiple transfer and on the corresponding stamp designs on the plate.

By this theory the presence of the side markings on the stamps in the five rows mentioned can be explained, and we now have to consider whether they were accidental or intentional, and what caused them.

A few years ago Mr. Stevenson showed the writer several stamps having the usual characteristics of printings from plates 7, 8, 9, 10 as regards the tops and bottoms of their designs but with the ornamental scrolls at the sides, particularly the right side, either not trimmed at all or else only slightly trimmed, and without the scratches supposed always to be found on stamps from reliefs 2, 3 and 4, except, perhaps, very late impressions from the plates when they were badly worn. These stamps have every appearance of being early printings. They certainly are not from worn plates and if the scratch-like markings had been on the plate from which they were printed these markings would show more clearly on these stamps than they do on most of the printings from the four plates under discussion. The only dated copies the writer has seen are three from the small lot in the Stevenson collection, all used on one cover in May, 1858.

These peculiar type III stamps show indications of attempts to erase the side ornaments but similar *erasure markings* on stamps from plates 7, 8, 9, 10 which have the side ornaments distinctly trimmed have not been noted. Possibly these stamps are from plates 4, 5 or 6 and these three plates were not used to any extent because this first attempt to alter the side ornaments was not successful. This erasure must have been done either on the multiple die, the transfer roller or the plate. Evidently it was not done on the multiple die, for if it had been done there traces of it would show later. Certainly it was not done on the transfer roll because it is not possible to make scratches on a plate by cutting lines on or off a transfer. There remains only the plate itself. Therefore the writer is obliged to assume these early printings from plates containing only type III stamps to have been printed from one or more plates on which an attempt to erase parts of the side oraments had been made.

The writer has never seen all the stamps from both panes of plate No. 7 and is uncertain whether these type III stamps with side ornaments practically complete are from the left pane of that plate or are from one or more of plates 4, 5 or 6.

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EDITORIAL.

Protean—Early Byrd whose enlightening discourses on the earlier U. S. stamps have been a feature of recent numbers must be painlessly disposed of and buried with philatelic honors. It is a comfort to know, however, that while he has been dematerialized, he reappears in another guise; he is reincarnated in the person of Mr. Lyman J. Seely. Mr. Seely has a penchant for stamp study because he likes the bits of paper; and while he considers his contributions of rather milder value than our readers do, he has found that a number of readers have inquired about Mr. Byrd in connection with further articles on the favorite early issues of our country. We suppose that the scrupulous Mr. Byrd was impelled by a sense of frankness to shed his *alias* and stand forth in his true colors. *Exeunt*, Mr. Byrd; enter Mr. Seely, who writes: "So many collectors have written me since the appearance of the notes on the three cent of 1851 to ask what I meant by the 'true Type I' of 1857 that it may not be amiss to describe the stamp though it is known to a great many. Type I of the three cent, 1851, has an outer line at top and bottom and double lines at the sides. This applies to practically all three cent stamps issued between 1851 and the latter part of 1855. Then printings from new plates appeared and these I call Type II, or, if you prefer, Type I-A; they have the outer lines at top and bottom but only single lines at the sides as the inner lines were not recut. Type III without the extra line at top and bottom occurs only in the perforated stamps. The 'true Type I perforated,' therefore refers to stamps from the early plates with extra line or recut inner line accurately speaking, at the sides, as well as outer lines top and bottom. Evidently, some sheets from these early plates were perforated for I have found them on original covers and with the little mark on the coat, known as 'gash on the shoulder.' I am told that the perforated stamps exist without outer lines top and bottom but with both lines at the sides but I have never seen such a thing and cannot understand how it could happen, unless an attempt was made to remove the outer lines top and bottom from an early plate. This is not impossible as I have seen a number of stamps with only faint traces of such outer lines but none of these had double side lines."

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Asked—A reader wishes to know where booklet plate-numbers are to be found and in recognition of the growth of interest taken in the booklet varieties, we say a few words on the subject here. In the current two cent booklet, the plate-number is found twice in each booklet, invariably above the topmost right hand stamp. Two of the marginal imprints are to be found in each booklet and the combinations made by the numbers are interesting There is a regular hodgepodge of numbers as we find them consecutively, *e. g.*, 8894 and 8895; the same or 8893 repeated; and irregular, as 8895 and 8191. The foregoing remarks are illustrative of the interesting possibilities of the present two cent booklet stamp and the story of the other issues is replete with engaging suggestion.

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Submitted—We are now receiving views of bank men and others on the foreign exchange question which is one that has vital bearing on the international relations of stamp handlers. One reader whose position is such that he may be accepted as an authority inclines to the belief that we have magnified the complications of the present day conditions. He says that if any effort was made to meet an invoice on pre-war terms and through the development of war necessities the money that was sent in payment was returned to the sender, the case was not altered and settlement may now be offered on the original basis. Naturally, late transactions would be made on an understanding as to the payment of funds and he adds that this supposition is supported by the instructions for payment for consignments to other countries that have been issued by a French dealer.

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Censorship—We are indebted to Mr. Lowell J. Ragatz for the following sidelight which is not without its historical phase: "With the memory of the censorship of mail still fresh in mind, the following excerpts taken from the 'Writings of Thomas Jefferson,' edited by H. A. Worthington, should be of interest. The set, I may add, was published by Taylor and Maury of Washington, D. C., in 1859. 'Letter from Thomas Jefferson to R. Izard: Paris, September 26, 1785. . . . . Your letter of last January, of which you make mention, never came to my hands. Of course, the papers that are now received are the first and only ones which have come safe. The infidelities of the post offices, both of England and France, are not unknown to you. The former are the more rascally because they retain one's letters, not choosing to take the trouble of copying them. The latter, when they have taken copies are so civil as to send the originals, resealed clumsily with a composition on which they have previously taken the impression of the seal . . . . . I took the liberty of asking you to order me a Charleston newspaper. The French postage is so enormous that I have been obliged to desire that my newspapers from the different states may be sent to the office for Foreign Affairs at New York, and I have requested Mr. Jay to have them always packed in a box and sent by the French packets as merchandise to the care of the American consul at L'Orient, who will send them on by the periodical wagons . . . . ' (Volume 1, pp. 425, 426.)"

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Received—We have had a remarkable communication from an esteemed reader that causes us to ponder over the present pressure that is noticeable in philatelic walks. The length of the letter indicates that the writer is concerned over what he considers the scant treatment of the small buyer, comparatively speaking by a dealer here and there. After making the just claim that the collect of limited means matches in his earne regard for philately the wealthy colle tor and has every right to fill bla spaces with second-rate copies if he elects, he says: "I am not crying dow the wealthy collector although he cos the poorer collector many dollars as l does not stop at any price but of cour on the other hand, when the poor collector has to sell his collection, t value of the collection is boosted. Na urally, a collection that is bought by t dealer must yield him a profit; a this is right. It seems to me that w all need one another; and each o should be encouraged to collect as h sees fit and, more to the point, is able The essence of the complaint is th dealers have ignored his request f second quality stamps on approval; an he feels that as he is content to bu poor copies, comparatively, he should r ceive reasonable treatment in the pu suance of his plan. A mass of deta supports the contention of our reade

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A PHILATELIC DICTIONARY.

By BERTRAM W. H. POOLE.

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THE LOVE OF LIBERTY BROUGHT US HERE.—The motto of the Liberian republic which is shown upon a few of its stamps.

THESSALY.—The largest division of ancient Greece which, in 1355, came under the Turkish yoke. In 1881 Turkey ceded the larger portion of the province to Greece but during the Graeco-Turkish war of 1898 the Turks again occupied the province and issued a special set of postage stamps for its use.

THIBET.—A country of central Asia nominally subject to China, which issued its first set of postage stamps in 1912.

THICK PAPER.—A somewhat misleading description for certain sorts of paper. It is really meant to be used in a comparative sense in distinguishing between stamps of a particular issue printed on two grades of paper described as "thick" and "thin".

THIN PAPER.—(See preceding paragraph.)

THOM, R.—The postmaster of Fredericksburg, Virginia, in 1861, who issued special 5c and 10c stamps prior to the appearance of the regular set for the Confederate States.

THOUGHRA.—(See "Tughra".)

THRACE.—A district of Macedonia for which special stamps are said to have been issued by an autonomous government in 1913 during the interval between the withdrawal of the Bulgarian forces and the taking over of the district by the Greek authorities.

THUNDERBOLTS.—Small spearlike ornaments drawn across the posthorns shown under the Arms on many of the stamps of Russia.

THURN AND TAXIS.—At one time the princes of Thurn and Taxis—a noble house of Austria—possessed a postal monopoly over the whole of Germany, but by the stamp-issuing epoch of 1849-52 many of the states had by purchase, war, or in other ways obtained control over their own postal services. In 1852 special stamps were issued for use in those states and parts of Germany over which Thurn and Taxis still retained postal control. In 1867 these special issues ceased for Prussia purchased the remainder of the monopoly from the then holders.

THURN AND TAXIS.—The inscription shown on the stamps of Thurn and Taxis.

TICAL.—The unit of value in Siam until 1912 which had a nominal value of 32c in American money. Until 1909 the tical was divided into 64 atts but the currency was then changed and the tical was composed of 100 satangs, i. e., cents.

TIENTSIN.—A Chinese city in which France maintains a post office, and in September, 1903, it was instrumental in issuing a number of provisional postage due stamps.

TIERRA DEL FUEGO.—An island at the extreme southern extremity of South America belonging to Argentina (eastern portion) and Chili. A special local stamp of the facial value of 10c was issued here in 1891 to frank letters from the island to the nearest ports of Chili or the Argentine Republic.

TIGER'S HEAD.—The device shown upon most of the stamps of Afghanistan.

TIMBRE.—(Stamp). An overprint shown on certain stamps of Bolivia which were intended for fiscal purposes but were freely used for postage.

TIMBRE IMPERIAL JOURNAUX.—This inscription, signifying "Imperial Journal stamps", appears on the large newspaper stamps of France.

TIMBRE MOVIL.—An inscription shown on certain revenue stamps of Spain, some of which have been used for postage. It means, literally, "movable stamp", i. e., an adhesive as distinguished from an impressed label.

TIMBRE POSTE PROVISOIR.—An inscription shown upon one of the stamps issued by the Russian administration in Crete in 1899. It means, simply, "Provisional postage stamp".

TIMBRE PROPORCIONAL.—An inscription meaning "proportional stamp" shown on certain stamps of Costa Rica which were allowed to be used for postage.

TIMBRU DE BUIE-FACERE.—An inscription shown on some of the Roumanian charity stamps of 1906 meaning, literally, "stamp of benefaction".

TIMOR.—The most important of the chain of islands which stretches eastwards from Java. It has an area of 12,264 square miles and a population of about half a million. The eastern portion of the island belongs to Portugal and for this colony postage stamps were first issued in 1885.

TINTED PAPER.—(See "Surface-colored paper".)

TJANSTE FRIMARKE.—(Service stamp).—The inscription shown upon the current series of official stamps for Sweden.

TJENESTEFRIMARKE.—An inscription, signifying "Service stamps" shown on the official stamps of Sweden issued prior to 1910.

TJENESTE POST FRIMAERKE.—(Service postage stamps).—The inscription shown upon the official stamps for Denmark.

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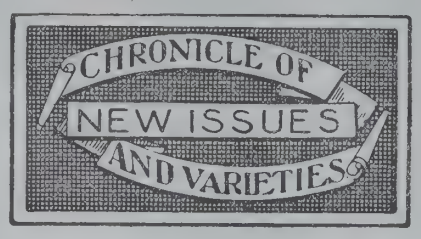
—A subscriber writes us as follows:—"I have just received the auction catalog of a well-known dealer who takes regular advertising space in the WEEKLY, and I notice that he offers no fewer than five lots in which counterfeits are boldly advertised. It may be that there is no law against a dealer doing this thing, but it seems to me that the ethics of honorable dealing would prohibit any dealer from offering counterfeits in such a public manner."

—A new advertising cancellation is now seen in the mails. It consists of the words "Roosevelt Memorial—Association—October 20 to 27". In the earliest use of this postmark dated New York, Oct. 20, one of these words was spelled "Memoial" and another "Assoctation". It makes an interesting "error."

—"Under the article Slavonia I regret to say that J. F. Hamill is misinformed. He says the only town worth mentioning in Slavonia is Laibach, but this city never belonged to Slavonia but is capital city of the province of Carniola. I should know that because I was born in Slavonia."—MATT SIMUVICH.



Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

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UNITED STATES.—Several weeks back we brought to the attention of our readers the fact that the Post Office Department was giving serious consideration to the surcharging of the 2c postals and 3c envelopes so that they could be used under the present prevailing rates. There are millions on hand but we are under the impression that the postals will be finally destroyed and the envelopes will be surcharged for official use. In a letter just received from Mr. H. W. Porter we are advised that he was recently informed by one of the "powers that be" that while they have given the matter careful consideration they have not as yet come to any definite conclusion. In the meantime the large offices are holding on to their supplies.

In connection with the change in postal rates it may be of interest to mention that in the case of the 3c booklets, the stamps were removed and sold over the counter in the regular way and credit was given the different offices for the books themselves, at the rate of 1c each.

Mr. N. A. Eddy, Jr., has submitted for our inspection a most unusual oddity in the way of a recut. He has located a block of nine of the current 2c unwatermarked, perforated 11 showing the hair of the head of the center stamp almost entirely reentered. It is quite possible that a hard place in the steel at this point resulted in a poor transfer and therefore likely one of the engravers took his tool and endeavored to cut the hair in its proper place but with poor results. When Mr. Eddy located the variety the margins had been removed from the sheet and consequently he has been unable to furnish us with the plate number.

Mr. George Soulman has located a new variety to add to our recent list of the "7 CENTS" provisional Playing Card Stamps, namely the 2c ultramarine, series of 1894, showing two surcharges in purple, of the well known Standard Playing Card overprint, one of which reads up and the other down. Several copies of this stamp with double surcharge both reading one way have been found but this is the first copy to come to our attention having both the normal and the inverted surcharge.

Mr. F. W. Armstrong now writes to inform us that we were correct in our original assumption that the two plate number blocks of the 1c surface print from sheet #9987 came from the same pane and that therefore we have absolute proof that the Bureau reentered the plate number after they had printed a number of stamps from the plate. As mentioned before, this is the first instance that has been brought to our attention of changes in the plate numbers after the plates had once gone to press.

While as a rule we do not chronicle postmarks, one from New York is of such a unique character that it is well worthy of mention. Enclosed within the rectangular shaped cancellation we read "Roosevelt Memorial Association, October 20 to 27" in three lines. All the mail that has been reaching us from New York City during this week of October 20th has been so postmarked.

Through the kindness of Mr. W. S. Kinsel we are able to chronicle a new provisional Narcotic overprint. This variety comes from Seattle, and we are told that only one denomination of the Documentary stamps were surcharged, namely, the 1c rose. The overprint comes in two colors, in purple and in black and reads in large serifed capital letters in three lines "ACT—NARCOTIC—1918".

1919. Seattle Provisional Narcotic.
(a) 1c rose, purple overprint.
(b) 1c rose, black overprint.

Messrs. Gerald H. Burgess, Charles M. Breader and F. L. Belanger have also favored us with notes of interest.

AITUTAKI.—Mr. J. H. Smyth has shown us the 3d surfaced printed stamp of New Zealand surcharged "Aitutaki" in blue.

BELGIUM.—We have been shown by Adjt. Henry Hooreman specimens of the new Belgian surcharges as chronicled last week. The overprinting is rather crudely done. Mr. Hooreman also submits two new Postage Dues, 10c carmine and 20c green, the difference in the design as compared with D2 being that the figure of value is on a white ground instead of black.

CHRISTMAS ID.—We recently chronicled in our news department the appearance of a set of stamps for this Island. We now have further information concerning this place. In the Chicago *Blade* of March 15, 1919, appeared a group picture of Rev. Emmanuel Rougier and two of his nieces, accompanied by the following story:—

"Father Rougier, who is a French Roman Catholic priest, has just arrived in America from Papeete with his nieces, the Misses Berthe and Alice Rougier, coming from his little kingdom in the middle of the Pacific Ocean on business connected with his purchase of Christmas Island from the British government.

Christmas Island is midway between Honolulu and Papeete and comprises 600,000 acres. Father Rougier has 100,000 cocoanut trees set out. One hundred trees will produce a ton of copra, and copra is worth about $150 a ton, so Father Rougier has something worth while in Christmas Island. He might be a Santa Claus after all, with a big income like that, according to the children on the ship.

Before purchasing Christmas Island, which escaped the epidemic of Spanish Influenza. Father Rougier owned Fanning Island. This he sold to British interests.

Father Rougier lives at Papeete, which has been his home for thirty years."

ESTHONIA.—Bright & Son chronicle the appearance of a 5m, black and orange, imperf. same type as the 1 mark.

FIUME.—The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us a copy of the 30c purple stamp which has the word "Posta" added at the bottom making the reading "Cent. Posta Fiume 30", and add that all values and 10r are issued with the same word added.

ITALY.—Bright & Son has shown us a copy of the 15c stamp printed in black. The type is the same as Scott's No. A48.

LETTLAND.—Bright & Son chronicle the following new items of this country:—25k, grey Imperforate on watermarked paper; 5, 10, 15, 20, 35, and 50k, no watermark, perforated 11½.

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MONACO.—The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us three values, 5c green, 10c red, and 25c blue. The stamp shows a view in the background of a citadel and in the front is a widow with a small child in her arms. At the left side of lower corner is the value while at the lower right corner is 5c, 10c, 25c respectively. The top has the words "Principavte De Monaco" and "Postes" on the upper right side.

NORTH WEST PACIFIC ISLANDS.—The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us the ½, 3 and 4d values with new corrected setting, all the letter "s" being normal.

NORTH WEST RUSSIAN ARMY.—Bright & Son have shown us the following stamps recently issued for the above mentioned Army:—5k lilac; 10k blue; 15k yellow; 20k rose and 50k green. They are of different designs and are printed on white paper with the exception of the 10k blue which is of a cream color. The 50k green is a very thin paper. All the stamps are about the same size as the issue of 1909.

PERSIA.—The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us the following of the 1908 type surcharged as follows:—

1c yellow, surch. "Provisoire 1919 1 chahi".
3c green, surch. "Provisoire 1919 3 chahi".
6c violet, surch. "Provisoire 1919 6 chahi".

All are printed in black and in three lines.

POLISH LEVANT.—Bright & Son report the appearance of Polish stamps overprinted "Levant" in red on the perforated set, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 50f and 1, 1½, 2, 2½ and 5 marks.

SIAM.—Mr. K. B. Sieng has heard it rumored that a new issue of stamps is to appear shortly. It has been suggested that a series be printed to be used in connection with the Peace celebration and the reception of the arrival of the second part of the Siamese troops on the 21st to the 23rd of September.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us a new printing of the 4c stamp, the color being considerably paler.

URUGUAY.—Fred L. Onken has submitted to us the following values of the Commemorative Issue with Statue of Liberty.

2c crimson and brown.
5c blue and brown.
20c bistre and black.
23c green and black.

At the same time he shows us a copy of the 5m purple and green with an oblong view in the center "Republica O de Uruguay" at the top in two lines and "Correos 5 Milesimos 5" at the bottom in two lines.

U. S. 1c 1857-60.

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cessful attempt which, it is believed, took place on the multiple die. To use Mr. Stevenson's words, whoever did it used "little care and a chisel." All the stamps were trimmed at the right side and three of the designs were deeply scratched at this side, thus accounting for the markings usually found on the type III stamps from reliefs 2, 3 and 4. These scratches are much deeper and entirely unlike the erasure markings noted on the type III stamps with the side ornaments unaltered. The scratch-like markings show most clearly on the earlier printings but persist until plates 7, 8, 9, 10 went out of use and traces of them can be found on many of the later printings even when these plates show signs of much wear.

The plate 7 8-9-10 stamps occur in a wide range of shade. They are seldom so light as the early printings from plate 1 imperforate, but will sometimes be found fully as dark as any of the printings from plate 2 or plate 3. Probably because they have been so common they have never been "taken seriously", so to speak, yet if they had been studied more, and more carefully, when they were obtainable at wholesale, the present knowledge of the plates and the stamps of the 1857-60 series would have been obtained years ago, for it appears that the key to an understanding of the construction of these plates lies in these, the commonest and least prized of all the 1c stamps used between 1851 and 1861. The writer is no less guilty of a lack of proper appreciation of them than is any other lover of U. S. stamps.

Plate No. 11.

This plate was probably made in 1860 and evidently was not used very much. Little is known about it. Dr. Chase has said it was made from a transfer having two reliefs, but the writer has seen a vertical strip from the first, second and third rows and all three of the stamps are so different they could hardly have come from only two reliefs. The stamps are type II and resemble printings from the last plate—No. 12. The side ornaments are complete and no copies seen showed any trace of the ball shaped scrolls at the bottom. The stamps in the top row have the design absolutely complete at the top and but slightly trimmed at the bottom. Those in the second row are similarly trimmed at the bottom and the top ornaments are also slightly trimmed. In addition, the outer arc at the top has been extensively cut away. The stamps in the third row are much like those in the first and second rows at the bottom but the upper arc is not cut away so much as on the stamps in the second row.

Plate No. 11 may have been one of the last made from a six relief transfer or one of the first made like the 30c and 90c—with a transfer having three or four reliefs. In the latter event it belongs with the plates last used for the 1857-60 series and is to be distinguished from the preceding plates by having been produced from a transfer having less than six reliefs. For many years to come, no doubt philatelic writers will speculate upon the reasons for the use of so many different kinds of multiple transfers on the plates of this series and upon the reasons for the changes from two reliefs to six and then back again to four and two. A five relief transfer used twice in each vertical row would have been, so it seems, exactly what was required and yet, of all the combinations actually used, that one, apparently the simplest, was not used at all.

Stamps from plate No. 11 and the following plate, like the perforated stamps from plate No. 1, are most unsatisfactory to collect. The design is too tall for the spacing of the perforations and it is hardly possible to find specimens which the perforations do not injure. Usually the top or the bottom of the design is cut into, but if the stamp is perfectly centered then both the top and the bottom of the design will be affected.

(To be concluded.)

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TOBAGO.—The most southerly of the Windward islands belonging to Great Britain. Postage stamps were first issued on August 1st, 1879. After 1896 Trinidad stamps were used in Tobago until 1913 when a set appeared bearing the names of both islands.

TOGA.—The native equivalent for Tonga as shown upon the stamps issued for that island in 1897.

TOGO.—An erstwhile colony of the Germans in West Africa which was captured by an Anglo-French force in August, 1914. Postage stamps under German administration were first issued in 1897. Upon the capture of the territory by the French and British the German stamps found there were suitably overprinted.

TOLIMA.—A department of the republic of Colombia. Postage stamps were first issued in 1870.

TOMAN.—The unit of value in Persia. A toman consists of 10 krans and has a nominal worth of about 78c in American money.

TONED PAPER.—This is paper having a more or less pronounced yellow or brownish tinge of color in it without being sufficiently colored to be distinctly yellow or brown.

TONGA.—A group of islands in the southern Pacific which have, since 1899, been recognised as practically a British dependency. Postage stamps were first issued in 1886.

T.-L.—These letters, together with the date, "1 June 1899", were overprinted on the 1d stamp of Tonga of the 1897 issue to mark the marriage of the King. This event took place on the date noted in the overprint, the letters "T-L" being the initials of the names of the King and his bride, viz.:—"Taufa 'ahau—Lavinia".

TONGS, STAMP.—Metal accessories for holding stamps with to prevent the possibility of soiling by the too frequent use of the owner's fingers.

TOO LATE.—The inscription shown upon the Too-late stamps of Victoria.

TOO LATE STAMPS. — Special stamps issued by some countries for the payment of the extra fee demanded for the inclusion of correspondence in a certain mail after the usual hour of posting has passed.

TOPPAN, CARPENTER & CO.—A Philadelphia firm of printers who engraved and printed the 1851-60 stamps for the United States government.

TORNESE (plural "Tornesi").—The value shown upon some of the stamps of Naples and the Neapolitan Provinces. Three hundred tornesi were equal to a ducat and a tornese was worth a trifle less than a third of a cent in United States currency.

TOSCANO.—The Italian rendering of Tuscany as shown upon the stamps of that state.

TOTOGI G'TOHI.—An inscription shown on most of the current stamps of Tonga signifying, literally, "postage paid".

T. R.—An overprint found upon certain South Australian stamps used during the period 1864-78 upon the correspondence of the department dealing with Titles Registration. These stamps were superseded in 1874 by the general departmental issue overprinted "OS".

TOUGHRA.—(See "Tughra".)

TRANGKA.—The value in which the stamps of Thibet are expressed. A trangka is equal to 6 annas and therefore has a value of 12c in American currency.

TRANSACCIONES.—This word appears on the revenue stamps of Bolivia which were allowed to be used for postage in 1893. It means "transactions" and of course refers to a stamp duty payable on certain business transactions.

TRANSACCIONES SOCIALES.—Appears on the 1871 postal fiscal stamps of Bolivia and means "social transactions".

TRANSITORIA.—This word appears on some of the provisional stamps issued in Mexico in 1913. It means, literally, "in transit", and refers to the transitory or temporary nature of the stamps.

TRANSITO TERRITORIAL. — An overprint shown on certain stamps at Salvador in 1899 meaning, literally, "territorial transit". They were used on letters sent by a transcontinental route via Zacapa.

TRANSVAAL.—A British colony in south-east Africa. It issued its first postage stamps, under Boer authority, in 1869 but since 1913 its special series has been superseded by the issue for the Union of South Africa.

TRANSVRAL ERROR. — A famous error of spelling for "Transvaal" found among the overprinted stamps of 1877.

TRAVANCORE.—A protected state in the extreme south of India. Postage stamps were first issued in 1888.

TREASURY.—Appears on the departmental stamps of the United States issues in 1873 for the use of the Treasury Department.

TREBIZONDE.—A seaport in Asiatic Turkey for which the Russian government issued special stamps in 1909-10.

TRENGGANU.—A town on the eastern coast of the Malay Peninsula which has been under British protection since 1910 and in that year issued a series of postage stamps of its own.

TRESSE.—A circular or oval device on the flap of an envelope in which the lines are shown in relief instead of in recess as in a rosace.

TRICENTARIO CABO FRIO.—Appears on the special stamps issued in Brazil in November, 1915, to commemorate the tercentenary of the discovery of Cape Frio.

TRINIDAD.—The most southerly of the British West Indian islands. Postage stamps were first issued on April 11th, 1851.

TRINIDAD & TOBAGO.—The stamps issued for the combined use of the islands of Trinidad and Tobago since 1913 have been inscribed in this manner.

TRINIDAD, PRINCIPALITY OF.—(See "Principalite de Trinidad".)

TRIPOLI.—One of the seaports of Syria at which Italy maintains a consular post office and at which stamps overprinted "Tripoli di Barberia" are used.

TRIALS.—These are impressions from die, plate or stone, etc., taken to ascertain if the design is correct or to assist in the selection of a suitable color.

TORRES STRAITS.—Stamps bearing this name are occasionally met with but such varieties are entirely bogus.

TRUNCATED STAR.—A small star watermark with broad projections found in connection with the 1868-74 stamps of Queensland.

TSINGTAU.—The foreign settlement of the town of Kiautschou at which the first stamps for Kiautschou were issued in 1900.

TUGHRA.—(French form "Toughra"). The cypher of the Sultan in an ornamental shape, used for heading decrees, on coins, stamps and government buildings, where other governments use the "coat-of-arms". It contains the name of the Sultan and of his father, with the title **Khan** and the epithet **El muzaffar daima** meaning "the ever victorious".

TULCAN.—A province of Ecuador in which all the stamps issued in 1902 were provided with a special control mark for the reason explained under "Guayas".

TUMACO.—A port in the republic of Colombia at which special type-set stamps were issued in 1901.

TUNGURAGUA.—A province of Ecuador which marked all stamps issued in 1902 with a dictinctive control device for the reason explained under Guayas.

TUNIS.—A French protectorate of north Africa covering an area of some 45,000 square miles. Postage stamps were first issued in July, 1888.

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A PHILATELIC DICTIONARY.

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TUNISE.—The name shown on all the stamps of Tunis issued since 1906.

TURKESTAN, CHINESE.—A vast region in central Asia subject to China. Owing to differences in currency values, the Chinese stamps used in this territory since 1911 have been distinctively overprinted in native characters.

TURKEY.—The Ottoman Empire, or Turkey, issued its first postage stamps in 1863.

TURKS ISLANDS.—The name under which all the stamps for use in the Turks and Caicos Islands which appeared prior to 1900 were issued.

TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS.—A group of British Islands in the West Indies belonging geographically to the Bahamas but annexed to the government of Jamaica in 1873. The first stamps were issued in 1867 and from that date until 1900 they were inscribed "Turks Islands" only. In the last named year a new set made its appearance giving the name of the colony in full.

TUSCANY.—An Italian province. Postage stamps were first issued on April 1st, 1851. Ten years later these were superseded by the stamps of Sardinia which were, in turn, replaced by the issues for the kingdom of Italy in 1862.

TWEEZERS.—(See "Stamp Tongs".)

TYPE.—A word used generally to mean the design of a stamp but it may also have a more special sense. Thus, if two stamps are described as being of the **same** type it would mean that the design of both is identical, though they may differ as regards value, paper, color, perforation, etc. Where slight changes have been made the stamps may be said to be of **similar** type or of the **same design** but **different type** meaning that the design has been slightly redrawn or re-engraved.

II. The kind of printer's type used in making an overprint or in which the inscriptions on a stamp are engraved. Such of these as come within the philatelist's ken are lsted under separate headings—Roman, sans-serif type, etc.

TYPESET.—Made up from movable types. Applied principally to designs formed of printer's type and plain or ornamental borders, such as are found in most printing offices, but applicable also to any design made up of separate parts, instead of being all in one piece.

TYPE-WRITTEN.—The exceedingly crude labels which did duty as postage stamps in the Uganda Protectorate from March, 1895, until November, 1896, were produced by means of an ordinary typewriter. On at least one other occasion the typewriter of commerce has been requisitioned in stamp production, for the words "Half-Penny" applied to certain stamps of Tonga in 1896 were overprinted by one of these machines.

TYPOGRAPHY. — Probably more stamps have been produced by typography or surface-printing than by any other process. This method is the exact antithesis of line-engraving, for the lines on the plate are raised instead of being in recess, thus resembling the printer's type from which books, etc., are printed (hence the terms "typography" and "typographed"). In engraving the original die the lines of the design are made to appear in relief (French, **en epargne**) and from this original as many reproductions as are necessary are made either by stereotyping or electrotyping.

If stereotyping is the method employed the required number of casts or impressions are taken in plaster of Paris or papier-maché. These when hard are used as moulds for making casts in metal which are either clamped together or fixed to a backing of some kind to form the printing plate.

For electrotyping, which is the method more generally employed, the impressions from the original die are made in lead, wax, gutta percha, or other suitable medium and upon this a thin film of copper is deposited by means of a galvanic battery. These "shells" are then backed with type-metal and mounted on a block which now forms the printing plate.

The terms stereos and electros, so frequently met with, are merely abbreviations for stereotypes and electrotypes.

(To be continued.)

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LOST, STRAYED OR STOLEN.

Eric Verrill, army lieutenant, who resided at a prominent hotel in Hartford, Conn., until his arrest Aug. 9. for defrauding the Federal Government and banks out of $63,000 by cashing fraudulent army checks, was sentenced to serve six years at Atlanta Oct. 24. Verrill testified after pleading guilty that he had spent about $14,000 on his collection in eight months.

Soon after arrest his stamp collection and other property were attached by the U. S. Secret Service Agents and is now in the custody of the U. S. Marshall in Hartford. A New York firm had permitted Verrill to take with him an unusually valuable approval selection after numerous substantial cash purchases and the return of other selections. The stamps consisted exclusively of British Colonies, nearly all 19th Century mounted on blue quadrilled pages in booklets. Verrill had made selections from all of them but the booklets are not among the stamps in the custody of the marshall and have not been found. Anyone giving any information will kindly communicate with H. M. Levy, 2 Rector St., New York. A reward is offered.

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PRECANCELLED STAMPS OF THE U. S.

By C. W. Herman, M. D.

The term precancel is used to designate such stamps as have been cancelled in sheets or parts of sheets and then separated and affixed to 2nd, 3rd, and 4th class mail. According to the Post Office Department no other method of cancelling may be considered precancelled. The object of precancelling is to save time by cancelling an entire sheet at once. The post office department uses the spelling "precanceled" but in the philatelic press the customary form is "precancelled".

There are many ways of precancelling stamps. One of the first methods of cancelling was accomplished by drawing a line with a pen across the center of each stamp. In this manner an entire row of stamps was cancelled at one time. It will be seen that many varieties would result from this method. Straight lines and wavy lines were used, as were diagonal ones. During this early period, a common ruling pen was used, making lines from ½ mm. to 2 mm. in width. Another well known form of cancelling of this period was that made with a carved cork or other soft wood.

A short time later the Post Office Department discovered that many of the precancelled stamps were being cleaned and used again. To guard against this practice, postmasters began using the so-called "paint brush" cancellation. This consisted of a thick blurred line ranging from 2 mm. to 6 mm. in width. In many cases a greased pencil or a crayon was used. This type usually occurs on the postage dues.

As the demand for precancelled became greater, postmasters began to use rubber stamps of many designs. These included stars, lines, targets and gridirons of different kinds. As the demand still grew, electrotypes and plates came into use. In this way an entire sheet of stamps could be cancelled with one revolution of the press. In order to avoid the expense of a press and printing, some postmasters secured rollers made of rubber, and an impression was made by rolling the same over a sheet of stamps. These roller stamps were used particularly at Christmas time when only a few stamps of each denomination were needed. The first impression of the roller was usually clear, but after using for some time the type had a tendency to spread, producing a blurred impression. This cancellation is still in use. In numerous instances a small printing press has been used.

A printed cancellation was first used by the Burlington, Vt., Post Office. It conformed to the official notice of the government issued in 1901, that each stamp must bear the name of the city and state, with a heavy line printed above and below the name, in the government ink. At present, many types of this printed cancellation are used, conforming to the original notice only as far as city and state are concerned.

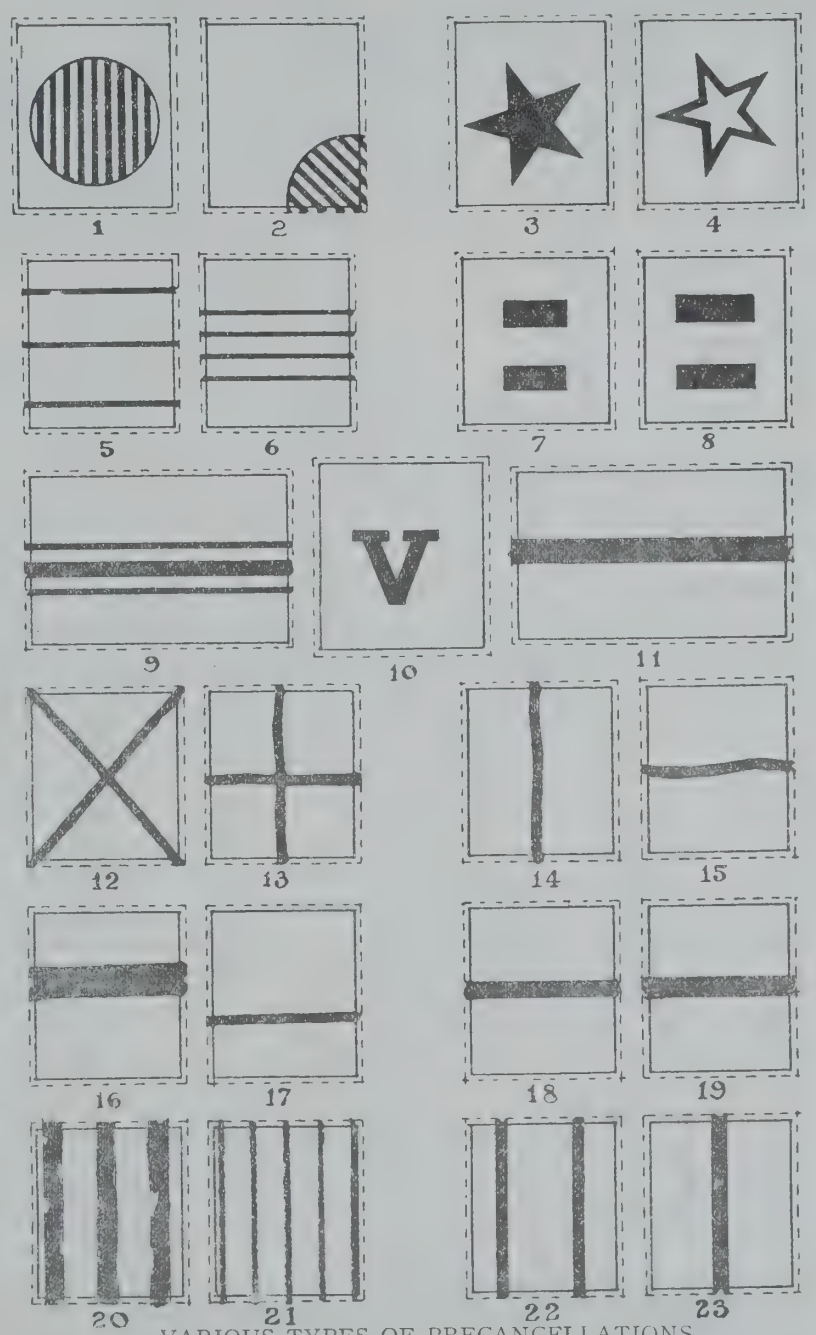
Another type commonly used to-day is the oval *"Office Killer"* used on postage dues and the higher values.

Many colors of ink have been used, among them being black, blue, red, purple, magenta, green, violet, gray, brown and also gray-black paint. The regulation ink used by the goverment, however, is a gray-black.

Nos. 1 and 2—Gridiron.
Nos. 3 and 4—Carved cork.
Nos. 5 and 6—Ruling pen.
Nos. 7 and 8—Printed bar.
Nos. 9 and 11—Printer's line.
No. 10—Rubber handstamp.
Nos. 12 and 13.—Common penstroke.
Nos. 14 and 15—Common penstroke.
No. 16—Paintbrush.
No. 17—Writing pen ruled.
Nos. 18 and 19—Grease pencil.
No. 20—Printers blurred rule.
No. 21—Worn office (Line).
Nos. 22 and 23—Printers line.

The first precancels known are on the 5c and 10c 1847. Many of the pen cancelled stamps found to-day are in reality precancels. Without a doubt many other types were also used.

Dr. Carroll Chase has the honor of discovering stamps precancelled 1847. In his article in the *Philatelic Gazette* he gives the following description: A folded letter-sheet postmarked Wheeling, Va., (now W. Va.) and the letter headed Wheeling, Decr. 7, 1847. This letter-sheet was addressed to "Geo. W. Carpenter, Esq., No. 301 Market St., Philadelphia." In the lower left corner of the face of the cover is written the word PAID. This was probably written by the Postmaster. At the top is written in the same ink and the same handwriting as the address "Charge No. 318"—the No. 318 being under the stamp. The cover is postmarked in blue "Wheeling, Va., Dec. 8" and the stamp, a 10 cent



VARIOUS TYPES OF PRECANCELLATIONS.

1847, is cancelled in a gridiron in the same blue, hitting both stamp and cover. In addition the lower left corner of the stamp shows one quarter of a red gridiron that was evidently applied before putting the stamp on the cover. (See figure 2).

Besides this, Dr. Chase has two copies of the 5c 1847 off cover, one of which is cancelled exactly as the 10c described above and the other which is cancelled with a blue "PAID" and the quarter of the red gridiron in one corner. The colors of the cancellations on all three stamps are the same.

Dr. Chase explains the precancellation in the following manner: "The Postmaster at Wheeling, Va., cancelled the 1847 stamps of both values with red ink in sheets by hitting each block of four on the sheet once in the center, so that about one quarter of a red gridiron showed on each stamp. Then when letters were posted with the instruction to charge the postal fee to the account of such and such a post office box-holder (this was a common custom) he cut these precancelled stamps from the sheet and applied them to the letters, after which they took their usual course thru the mail. One reason for doing this may have been to identify such letters anytime before they left his office. It is easy to picture the postmaster going thru the mail before it left and counting letters so stamped to see if his accounts were correct. I might add that my three copies came from widely different sources and that I believe them authentic in every way."

The above description coming from such a source, needs no comment. Dr. Chase is one of the best known authorities on cancellations.

In 1867, James Vick (now Jas. Vick & Sons) of Rochester, N. Y., cancelled the 2c black of that year. The stamps were cancelled with a circular target cancellation and specimens on cover may be found in most of the older precancel collections. A black ink was used. Jas. Vick and Sons used the stamps in sending out their seed catalogs.

Jefferson, Ohio, is reported to have cancelled the 2c brown of 1869 and the 1c blue of 1873. Very little is known of either one of these stamps.

The first precancelled stamp printed to comply with the Post Office Department regulations (issued in 1901) was the 1c, 1882, issued at Burlington, Vt. This printed cancellation consisted of the name of the town and the state, reading either up or down.

Glastonbury, Conn., used a large hand stamped capital G. This letter was 12½ mm. high and 2 mm. thick. It is reported this latter was used by the Williams Shaving Soap Co.

Precancels came into use in many cities in the period between 1890 and 1895. Among the cities using them at this time were Boston, Mass., Salem, Mass., Chicago, Ill., and Brockport, N. Y., also Akron, Ohio. Many cities and towns started using the issue of 1898, and in order to comply with the Post Office regulation regarding dating stamps they recorded the month and the year and the city and state. This was supposed to represent the common office cancellation. Many precancelled stamps had been reused on packages and the Postmasters were of the opinion that dating the stamps would put a stop to this procedure.

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THE IRON CITY PERCUSSION MATCH STAMPS.

By CHRISTOPHER WEST.

Griggs & Scott.

The Pittsburgh directories for 1862-64 list Andrew J. Griggs and Chas. R. Griggs as match manufacturers at 33 Strawberry Alley doing business as A. J. Griggs & Bro. In the directories for 1865-69 the firm is listed as Griggs & Scott, consisting of Andrew J. Griggs and Graham Scott, at the same location. The address sometimes appears as 7th and Grant, or as Strawberry Alley near Grant. From 1869 to 1873 the firm consisted solely of Mr. A. J. Griggs, who does not appear in the directories after 1872-73 except as a marble cutter in 1874-75. The name Iron City Match Works is used in connection with the business in 1871-72, 1875-76 and 1877-78.

The directories for 1871-73 list Mr. Geo. W. Davis who is probably the Geo. W. H. Davis listed as a match manufacturer at Strawberry Alley or Grant and 7th Avenue from 1873 to 1878. In 1873-74 the firm appears as Davis & Co. Thereafter it is always G. W. H. Davis & Co. until 1878-79 when the business appears to have ceased for several years.

Regarding the stamp used by all these firms until August, 1875, the Boston Book gives the following data:—

Die approved, Sept. 8, 1864.
First issued, Oct., 1864.
Last issued, Aug., 1875.
210 stamps per sheet (14x15).
19,960,000 issued on old paper.
11,067,000 issued on silk paper.

The stamp is an upright rectangle of the standard 1c size and is one of the early Butler & Carpenter productions. Enclosed in a circle is a portrait of Mr. Griggs with "Iron City" above and "Percussion Matches" below. "Griggs & Scott" appears at the left, "Pittsburgh, Pa." at the right and "One Cent" at the bottom, with the numeral "1" in each lower corner. All were printed in black.

The stamps on old paper were used by Griggs & Scott and by A. J. Griggs; those on silk paper were used by A. J. Griggs and by Davis. They are sometimes found with printed cancellation or surcharge in red in three lines:—

(a)	(b)
A. J. G.	D & CO
Apr 3	Jan 6
1871	1874

The overprint (a) has been noted on both old and silk paper with various dates in 1871—(b) is noted only on silk paper with dates in 1873 and 1874. Inverted and double surcharges are known. As copies quite certainly used occur both with and without the overprints it is not possible to state whether the overprint is a surcharge, changing the firm name, or is merely a cancellation.

G. W. H. Davis.

This stamp is altered from the Griggs & Scott die by changing the firm name at the left to read G. W. H. Davis. It was first printed in black by the National Bank Note Co., and as the black stamp is known to exist only on silk paper it probably went out of use before 1879 and exists only as a National print.

The Boston Book states as follows:

Die approved, Oct. 18, 1875.
First issued, Nov., 1875.
Last issued, Jan. 26, 1883.
210 stamps per sheet, (14x15).
1,932,000 issued in black on silk paper.
752,000 issued in carmine on wmk'd paper.

The black Davis exists surcharged or cancelled with an overprint similar to the "b" overprint found on the Griggs & Scott stamp. Copies noted were all dated in 1876 and occur in red, in black and inverted. The red Davis has not been noted with an overprint. The writer believes it was not issued until 1882 or 1883 and was printed only by the Bureau.

Neither Davis, the Iron City Match Works nor any other match concern appears in the Pittsburgh directories from 1879 to 1882, but the directory for 1882-83 lists the Iron City Match Co. at 2500 Jane St. Other information about this concern is lacking but it may be a new firm which purchased the Davis die and used the red stamp. The red stamps are frequently creased, no doubt from having been folded over the edge of the box so that it could not be opened without breaking the stamp. Used in this way it was unnecessary to cancel them.

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Oct. 21, 1919.

The society held it regular meeting this evening with Pres. Dunning presiding. Only such business as had to be attended to was transacted as there was such a wealth of entertainment. Mr. Kenneth W. Robie was elected to junior membership and the following names were posted to be voted upon at the November meeting: Messrs. Otto Haker, Clifford D. Harvey, M. D., James B. B. Smith (formerly treasurer of the society), Ernest B. Landin, Dr. Joseph A. Frazier, Jean S. Boyle, Frank I. Morse, H. E. Harris, and Selim Strandberg.

There were 15 members of the Rhode Island Philatelic Society at the meeting, the total attendance at which was 70. Most of the Rhode Island boys came over the road in autos and about half of them dined informally with about ten of our own members at the Hayward. As the secretary wrote me, they came up to see that their president, Mr. A. B. Slater and Mr. R. S. Emerson carried out their part of the program properly, and they certainly did. Mr. Slater was obliged to leave early and consequently had only time to show his "Providence" stamps and the many illustrations connected with their history. He talked for about 40 minutes as he turned the pages of his interesting album and held the attention of everyone in the room. The subject is an interesting one and when put before you by one so thoroughly familiar with it is doubly so.

An auction was held after Mr. Slater had finished and Mr. Emerson was then introduced. He first showed the 1847's belonging to Mr. Slater, calling attention to some of the particularly fine specimens. He then opened his own collection and exhibited the finest lot of these stamps that we are ever likely to see. It was well along towards ten o'clock when he finished and there was not the slightest abatement of interest on the part of those assembled. The entertainment was voted to be a great success and a vote of thanks was given to both the gentlemen for their kindness in coming.

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STAMPS OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

By BERTRAM W. H. POOLE.

CHAPTER III.—*The Pence Issue.*

The instructions issued for the guidance of postmasters in 1860 provide for a number of different rates ranging from 1d upwards, yet the first series of stamps comprised but three values—2d, 3d and 6d—which hardly tended to the encouragement of the prepayment of postal charges by means of stamps then ardently desired in official circles. The three stamps were placed on sale on January 1st, 1861, shortly after the publication of a notice in the official *Royal Gazette* worded as follows:—

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General Post-office,
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The inadequacy of the series for general postal needs was admitted even before their issue by the authorisation of the bisection of the two lower values.

The 2d value shows a profile portrait of Queen Victoria, with head to left, within a circular band inscribed PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND at top, and POSTAGE below. At the bottom, on a straight tablet, is the value TWO PENCE. The spandrels are filled with alternate rows of short strokes and dots, while the head is on a ground of dots with heavier dots forming a chain pattern in symmetrical rows. The inscriptions are all in uncolored letters on a plain ground. The 3d shows the Queen's portrait in an upright oval while on the 6d it is within an octagonal frame.

These three values were followed about a year later by 1d and 9d denominations. The exact date of issue of these two new values is unknown, but dated letters show they were probably on sale quite early in 1862. The necessity for 1d stamps was obvious from the fact that the 2d was allowed to be bisected and a warrant issued in March, 1862, would seem to have been in payment for the new 1d and 9d values for, as Mr. King points out, it is hardly probable new supplies of the 2d, 3d and 6d would have been required at that early date. The 1d value has the Queen's portrait on a background similar to the spandrel ornamentation of the values described above, only with the short lines horizontal instead of vertical. The inscriptions are on the border in the shape of an upright rectangle with rounded corners, while the angles are filled with small floriate ornaments. The head on the 9d is on a similar ground with the inscriptions extending around three sides on a scalloped ribbon. At the base is a wide tablet bearing the inscription NINEPENCE CURRENCY EQUAL TO SIXPENCE STG in uncolored letters on a solid ground.

Later still, a 4d value was added to the series. The date of issue is not known exactly, but the value was probably on sale late in March or early in April, 1869. It is generally inferred that this value was issued to meet the new postal rate to the United States which went into effect on November 1st, 1868. Mr. King heard of a copy on cover postmarked November 29th, 1867, and was inclined to believe from the evidence of a payment warrant that this value might have been issued in 1867; Scott's catalogue gives the date of issue as "1868-70"; while Gibbons' includes it in two series dated "1863-65" and "1867-8" respectively. Reference to the *Stamp Collector's Magazine* of the period—a journal which made a feature of the listing of new stamps—proves beyond question that this stamp could not have been issued until 1869. In the February number in that year mention is made of a letter from the postmaster stating "that

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Specimens of this value must have reached England some time in April to have been included in the May chronicle of the above named journal so that, as we stated above, it was probably issued early in that month or late in March.

All six stamps of this series were printed by Mr. Charles Whiting, of Beaufort House, Strand, London. They are so unattractive looking compared with other British North American stamps that the supposition they were "cheap lithographs" in the eyes of the earlier stamp chronicles is not altogether unwarranted. That they were cheap is borne out by the fact that the earliest supplies were printed at the very low cost of three shillings sterling per 1000 stamps (with no charge for dies and plates) while later on Mr. Whiting's charge was only 2s per 1000. So far as cost of production was concerned they were much the most economical of any of the provincial stamps.

The presumption that they were produced by lithography was very general until 1892 when among the effects of the successors in business of Mr. Whiting some dies and plates of the Prince Edward Island stamps were found proving that the method employed in printing them was the electrotype process. In the *London Philatelist* for January, 1893, and later, is an interesting article from the pen of Mr. J. A. Tilleard describing the discovery of this philatelic treasure trove together with a dissertation on the stamps themselves. Mr. Tilleard describes the dies and plates as follows:—

"They consisted of the completed dies of the 1d, 2d, 3d and 9d, and of the 1 cent, 3 cents, 4 cents and 6 cents stamp. With them were found an engraving on wood of the head employed for the cents issue, and a reproduction on copper of the same, and also a metal plate of the head used for the pence stamps. In addition to these there was an engraving on brass of a stamp, finished with the exception of the inscription, in form similar to the 3d stamp, although the details of the background are not the same. As the head also varies in several small particulars, I should imagine this was probably prepared before the stamp as issued was finally decided upon, and was not adopted.

The electrotype plates were those of the 2d, 4d, 3 cents and 12 cents, and, in the case of the 3 cents, there were parts of impressions in red and in black pasted on the back of the wooden block. The 2d plate measures 6 by 8¼ inches, and consists of sixty stamps in 6 horizontal rows of ten, the 4d plate measuring 6 by 4½ inches and having 30 stamps in 6 horizontal rows of five. The 3 cents plate measures 10 by 4 5/16 inches, and contains 10 vertical rows of 5 stamps, while that of the 12 cents measures 5 by 8¾ inches, and has 5 horizontal rows of 10."

It is interesting to note in passing that these dies and plates were acquired for the Royal Philatelic Society so that there is no danger of illicit reprints being made at any time. We should also mention that Mr. Tilleard's article is accompanied by a number of particularly interesting impressions made directly from the dies and plates, these impressions showing that the designs themselves were not altogether devoid of merit and that the poorness of the appearance of the issued stamps is due entirely to the cheap method of printing and paper employed.

The 2d denomination was printed in sheets of sixty stamps in six horizontal rows of ten each while all five of the other denominations were printed in small sheets of thirty, arranged in six horizontal rows of five each.

The stamps abound in minor varieties, such as uncolored dots between certain letters, imperfect letters, etc., but as most of these seem to be due to nothing but poor printing and not to inherent defects in the plates, their philatelic importance is not of a very high order.

The first supply sent to the Island, consisting of 2d, 3d, and 6d, had a large perforation gauging 9 which all catalogues recognise as a distinctive variety. Later, supplies were printed on two sorts of papers and with different perforations, the study of which is quite interesting. These are all lumped together in Scott's catalogue as "perf. 11, 11½, and 12 and compound"—a most unilluminating description, and are also erroneously ascribed as having been issued in 1865, whereas the 1d and 9d were issued in 1862. While much has been written of recent years regarding the paper and perforation varieties, frequently as though the writers were imparting entirely new information, it is worthy of note that as far back as 1868 a writer in the *Stamp Collector's Magazine* accurately described the chief groups into which the stamps are properly classified.

The first series with the large 9 perforation were printed on a yellowish toned paper and the 2d is the only value that provides any variation in shade. The perforation was very unsuitable as the stamps would not separate easily. In many cases they were cut apart with scissors and when they were separated in the normal way the stamps were usually damaged. In fact perfect copies with all the perforations intact, are extremely rare. Mr. King lists the 2d of this issue as existing imperforate horizontally and also vertically. Gibbons' lists a variety as "Imperf. between pair" but this is probably one of the varieties described by Mr. King.

The second supply sent to the Island consisted of the 1d and 9d stamps only and these were also printed on yellowish toned paper but were perforated 11. The 1d varies but slightly in shade but the 9d, like most purple stamps, provides shade varieties. These stamps were issued in 1862.

Later supplies—there are no records of the number of these or the dates they were received in the Island, and Mr. King's deductions made from the payment warrants issued from time to time are highly theoretical—probably dating from 1863 or 1864 until the time of the issue of the 4d value in 1869 were also on yellowish wove paper. These were perforated by a single-line machine having a gauge best described as "11½-12" and all values provide shades. The 1d varies from yellow to orange-buff, the 6d from yellow-green to blue-green, the 9d from lilac to reddish mauve, while the 2d, 3d and 4d show various tints from pale to deep.

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PLATE No. 12.

This plate also was probably made in 1860 and on account of having been in use only about one year stamps from it are not common. The transfer from which it was made bore two reliefs, one of which shows the complete design of the stamp with full ornaments at top, bottom and sides and is therefore a perfect type I. The other relief was also complete at the top and sides, but is trimmed somewhat at the bottom and the stamps are type II. The plume-like ornaments in the lower corners are trimmed slightly more than on the reliefs of plate No. 11 noted and there are no traces of the ball shaped ornaments below the lower arc. Perhaps 90% of the perforated type I stamps come from this plate and so far as the writer knows, they are the only perforated type I stamps which have the design complete.

The color is quite uniform, being a dull blue, and the surface of the paper is often decidedly bluish, either from poor wiping of the plate or because the plate was used so little the pores in the surface of the steel retained a little of the ink, as new plates sometimes do.

Dr. Chase gives the arrangement of the types in the horizontal rows on the right pane of the sheet as follows:—

Row 1	Relief B	Type II
Row 2	Relief B	Type II
Row 3	Relief A	Type I
Row 4	Relief B	Type II
Row 5	Relief A	Type I
Row 6	Relief B	Type II
Row 7	Relief A ?	Type I ?
Row 8	Relief B ?	Type II ?
Row 9	Relief A	Type I
Row 10	Relief A	Type I

The arrangement of the left pane is given from the writer's own notes; the missing positions in most cases probably being the same types as occur in the same rows of the right pane:—

Row 1—	?	?	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Row 2—	?	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B
Row 3—	?	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Row 4—	?	B	B	B	B	B	A	B	B	B
Row 5—	?	A	A	A	A	A	B	A	A	A
Row 6—	?	B	A	B	A	A	A	B	B	B
Row 7—	?	A	B	A	B	B	B	A	A	A
Row 8—	?	A	A	B	A	A	A	A	B	B
Row 9—	?	B	B	A	B	B	B	A	A	A
Row 10—	?	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A

One of the most peculiar features of this arrangement is that the number of times each relief occurs in each vertical row appears to be just the same in each pane. The regular arrangement in the right pane and the very irregular arrangement in the left pane give exactly the same result— there are just five subjects from each relief in each vertical row. Whether this was intentional or was merely a coincidence the writer is at loss to say. The reader will also note that each "error" or misplaced transfer is corrected by a similar error of the other relief in the next horizontal row, and the correction is always made in the same vertical row. The 9th horizontal row is an "A" row containing five misplaced B reliefs. The 8th row is a "B" row and in it we find five A reliefs similarly misplaced. The same sort of "errors" occur in the 7th and 6th and the 5th and 4th rows. Whatever may have been the reason for this regular irregularity it is quite evident that the Type II stamps from plate No. 1 should be just as rare as the highly prized type I stamps from this plate. As a matter of fact, however, the plate 12 stamps collectible as type I, are four or five times as scarce as the others. This is because many of the type I stamps are so injured by the perforations that they do not show the full design at the bottom and with such specimens it is not possible to determine from which relief they come.

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We cannot take the space to quote these rules, but think the following additional matter by Mr. Yokohori will be of interest:—

"From the first we did not expect special stamps for this service, and we were astonished to find it stated in the newspapers that special stamps would be issued on the day of the flight. I believe there were only 100,000 issued of each value. Anyway, it was difficult to buy them in quantity. I believe their market price will never be cheap, for some stamp dealers in Tokyo are advertising to buy them at about five times face value."

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By CHARLES S. THOMPSON.

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AUSTRIA.—Fieldpost, fourth issue. Surface prints, portrait of Charles, "K. U. K. Feldpost" top, numerals in ovals in lower corners. Remainder of design consists of foliate ornaments.

The full set is said to consist of 20 values, but I have received only the following, which have also been surcharged for use in Italy, the surcharged value appearing in the tabulation in parentheses.

1h (2c) blue-gr.	30h (32c) yellow.
2h (3c) orange.	45h (48c) indigo.
3h (4c) olive.	50h (53c) green.
5h (6c) green.	60h (64c) violet.
10h (11c) brown.	80h (85c) red.
20h (22c) red-or.	90h (95c) blk.-violet.
25h (27c) dk. blue.	

Whether the higher values are engraved, or if the stamps were surcharged in "bani" for use in Roumania I have been unable to learn. At any rate, these stamps are very inferior productions, judged by the standard of the first sets of field-post stamps.

BELGIUM.—A new 25c stamp has made its appearance. It pictures a monument at Liege, and the stamp was first placed on sale in that city.

BOSNIA.—The newspaper stamps of 1913 have been perforated and sold as regular postage stamps, as letters franked with them indicate. There are two styles of puncture, the regular variety, and the sewing-machine type.

BULGARIA.—Two new stamps, surface prints, have appeared. These are of very poor workmanship, and picture Prince Boris. One received on cover addressed to Los Angeles bears cancellation date of June 16, 1919.

The portrait of the prince appears in a circle with horizontally-lined background, "Tzarstvo Belgareya" (Bulgarian Empire) at top, "Stotenke" at bottom, and numerals of value in lower corners. The date 3. X. 1918 appears above portrait in spandrels below top inscription.

CROATIA.—November 29, 1918, a "jubilee" issue appeared, and these were apparently the first stamps to be issued in Croatia after the armistice. Four values, produced by lithography, constitute the set. The design is not well drawn, but appears to depict a naked woman, kneeling, her head bowed, supporting her right breast with the right hand. Below the "picture" is a coat-of-arms, which is surrounded by the inscription "29 LISTOPADA 1918". "SHS" appears in each upper corner, figures of value in each lower corner. "HRVATSKA" at top indicates their origin.

The used copies received are postmarked "Zagreb/918-Nov.29-N 12/ N 2 N," postmark being of the usual Hungarian type, with name at top and date across middle in one line.

The stamps measure 21.5x26.5 mm., and are perf. 12. There were 100 to the sheet, with the usual marginal imprints opposite each row of stamps on all four sides of the sheet. Two machines were used in the perforating, as the holes are both large and small, smooth and rough.

The issue was small, the number of the 45-heller being especially limited, so that these stamps are quite rare, and are not priced in European war catalogs, nor, in fact, illustrated, altho they are listed.

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10 heller, red.	25h blue.
20 heller, lilac.	45h greenish blk.

JUGO-SLAVIA.—Charity Stamps. Three values of the 1906 issue of Bosnia have been surcharged for this purpose, the inscriptions being applied in Cyrillian characters on two stamps, in Roman letters on one. The overprint is in three lines on the larger stamps, 4 lines on the smaller one, and reads "Kraljevstvo* / Srba, Hrvata i Slovenaca / (value).

10 plus 10h on 40h red-orange.
20 plus 10h on 20h dark brown.
45 plus 15h on 1k maroon.
*="KINGDOM."

The original values have been obliterated by square stops.

The Bosnian issue of 1916-17 has been utilized for another series of surcharges, of which I have seen only one, tho I am informed that all have received similar treatment. The 90-heller, dark violet, is surcharged in Cyrillian characters, which read top line "Kraljevstvo"* and below portrait, "S H. S." The latter appears to be "C.X.C." which it really would be in Roman letters.

* Indicating "Kingdom of Serbo-Croatia-Slovenia."

The portrait of Franz Josef is obliterated by a fancy square ornament.

The 1912 issue of Bosnia has been similarly treated, and of this issue I have likewise seen but one, the 6 heller, dark gray, which is surcharged with the same incription, but in Roman letters, and has the old value eliminated by square stops, and the new one, 10h, surcharged between them.

Whether the above two stamps form part of one new series is at present unknown to me, but such may be the case. Both came on letters from Serajevo, and were used with various other issues to pay the heavy postage on 8-ounce letters. One of these bears a 10-heller "chain breaker" which shows both saw-tooth and ordinary straight-line roulettes.

NEW ZEALAND.—Several "post paid" hand-stamps on pieces of cover have just been received by the writer. Whether these are to be regarded as our "permits" or as provisional is not at present known. All hail from Auckland, and are postmarked as ordinary stamps. Two specimens have "1½d." in each upper corner: "Postage Paid" above a circle in centre, which has N.Z. at sides; 3 HALF PENCE below. Bottom inscription in one case reads Auckland; the other "IMP SUPPLY", whatever that may indicate. Two other specimens are compounds, a ½d and a 1d being stamped on each cover. These have "AUCKLAND" diagonally across centre, reading up, to right corner. "POSTAGE PAID N.Z." at left, and value at right.

POLAND.—Levant. The current pfennig-and-Marks issue has been surcharged (all values) "Levant" in Roman caps., red schg., considerably more expanded type being used on the high values.

ROUMANIA.—While the Germans occupied Bucharest they surcharged at least two varieties of Roumanian revenues with the "M. V. i. R" imprint, and used them for postage. Both these stamps are large, 28x31.5 mm., perf. about 13, printed on chalky paper. Centre portrait of Charles; top, "Romania" and "Timbru Fiscal." Value on each side of portrait.

10 bani, buff, red schg. at bottom, single-lined frame, 12 mm. long.
10 bani, grey, red schg., reading vertically up fancy letters, double-lined frame, 23.5 mm long.

The first is postmarked "7 Aug. 917" the second "25 Sep. 917."

SLOVENIA.—The "chain-breaker" type of stamps is now being issued with serpentine or saw-tooth roulette, like the stamps of Greece. Whether all values have thus appeared is not known, but rouletted and perforated stamps have been received on the same envelope, so it is likely that the rouletted varieties will all appear eventually.

UPPER VOLTA.—French colony. This territory is about to be split off the territories of Upper Senegal and Niger, I am informed by a French correspondent, and the stamps of Senegal and Niger will be overprinted and appear in January. The surcharge will likely resemble that of Oubangui-Tchari-Tchad. The chief "city" of the new territory, according to another correspondent, is Ougadougou.

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U. G.—These letters, intended to indicate "Uganda", form the only inscription on the 1895 type-written stamps for the Uganda Protectorate.

UGANDA.—A British protectorate in East Africa. Postage stamps were first issued in 1895 and in 1903 these were superseded by the combined issue for the East Africa and Uganda protectorates.

UKU LETA.—An inscription shown on some of the interisland stamps of the Hawaiian Islands signifying "paid letters".

ULTRAMAR.—Shown upon some of the stamps of Cuba, etc., meaning "beyond the sea".

UNAPPROPRIATED DIES.—A somewhat lax term applied to certain British varieties which should perhaps be more correctly rendered as "Unappropriated plates". These are duty plates with blank labels upon which any required inscription may be afterwards printed so that they can be "appropriated" to any desired purpose.

UNIAO DOS ATIRADORES CIVIS.—An inscription shown upon the private stamps issued in Portugal for the use of the Civilian Rifle Clubs.

UNIE VAN ZUID AFRIKA.—The Dutch equivalent for "Union of South Africa" shown upon all the stamps of that confederation.

UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.—A confederation of the various British colonies in South Africa—Cape of Good Hope, Natal, Transvaal, and Orange River Colony—which since 1910 have been under one administration. During the three years following, the stamps of the various colonies were allowed to be used anywhere within the Union until they were replaced by a general set inscribed "Union of South Africa".

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(To be continued.)

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For some time we have been up against a proposition that has sorely tried the publishers of the WEEKLY and drastic action is necessary to relieve the situation. All printing establishments are having their setbacks and all publications are feeling the restricted hours of employment and increased cost of production.

With the WEEKLY we have another consideration which we must reckon with. Recent issues have shown us that a 12 paged paper will be frequently required during the coming months. In addition to those already published one will be issued again the coming week in order that we may carry a sufficient amount of reading matter.

To get back to the prompt mailings of our paper on Fridays we shall require in the future that ad copy be received not later than the previous Friday. Buffalo, Washington and places east of those cities must mail copy Thursdays, while the Middle West must send it Tuesday or Wednesday.

Where new copy is not received Friday the last advertisement will be repeated. This new schedule will aim to do away with the vexatious delays of past months in mailing our weekly edition.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Twist—Why, asks an observant collector, who certainly is a modernist in the school of philately, if you wish philately to be accepted by the general world, do you not give it a broad significance and over-ride the convention that a stamp paper must hew to the line. He maintains that a truly and technical philatelic paper is the proper thing for a limited number of confirmed philatelists, but it is gospel that only a small proportion of the total number of real collectors support a paper of the kind. He says that he has all respect for the publication of this class but if the somewhat general turning to philately on the part of the people is to be given decided direction, he thinks that a journal should make its calculated appeal to them, as in doing so it would still receive the patronage of those who are collectors. He cites the fact that we have a circulation of under ten thousand as proof that the stamp press is not meeting an opportunity that should be taken at the flood. This is something of a new angle and while we must say that we are still under the ten thousand mark, we do not believe that the suggestion of our friend would work out well in practice, even though he offers several more arguments in favor of the proposal. We will admit that this idea coming from one who is a collector who by training and tradition should align himself with the most advanced class in philately is testimony to the changing hour. He wants the stamp papers to be less solid philatelically in order to get the eye of the collecting "prospect" at large. Inferentially, he will forego his own satisfaction for the greater benefit to philately, although we suppose that he would continue to get sustenance from some of the papers published abroad. At least Europe supports the unadulterated stamp paper better than we do. As our mentor has brought up a subject in which we have a vital interest, we shall indulge in a few remarks on it in the subsequent paragraph.

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Argued—While it is refreshing to be asked to dilute the philatelic flavor of our columns when we think that we have "popularized" our reading matter to the last notch allowable, yet if we were to enter into competition with general publications, our pretentions would soon pass away as an iridescent dream. We could not compete with the magazines, for instance, that draw upon the talent of the world for the entertainment and edification of readers; and the chief reason for our existence is found in the distinctive, the philatelic note in our columns. If it becomes too faint, the stamp readers will not recognize it and the careless public to whom we are playing will not give us a second glance. What we like to see is the stamp article in the newspaper with a circulation in the tens of thousands, as in that number of readers there are a few collectors in embryo. As for the stamp paper, it must continue to work through its friends in the niche that it has made for itself.

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History—We have received as a member of the Royal Philatelic Society, London, a work that makes a deep impression on us; it is a history of the Royal Philatelic Society, London, from April 10th, 1869, to April 10th, 1919, by Baron Percy de Worms, Honorary Assistant Secretary. The work comprises 128 pages, and while a faithful chronicle of the origin, rise and development of the "premier society," it has a broader suggestion and it really is to be said that it is a history of the philatelic times in Great Britain for the last half-century. A few may have read something of the story of the society, but in comparison with the well-rounded recital now given, all such accounts are fragmentary. We like the intimate, personal "atmosphere" of the book and one's respect for the society is added to, even, by the contemplation of its record of achievement and its present progressive estate. The pictures of the past presidents of the Royal Philatelic Society are interesting and impressive and we think that traditionally the society is without a peer. The frontispiece is an excellent portrait of the Patron of the society, King George, which is followed by one of the Prince of Wales, honorary president.

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Noticed—Mr. Lowell J. Ragatz, Madison, Wisconsin, who has been sharing with us items of postal interest that he finds in pursuing his courses of reading, submits as customarily, a fragment that is worth placing on the philatelic spindle, and he asks a question that may appeal to philatelic students of history: "In a study that I am making of the Metternich System, I have had occasion to consult a good many European sources and secondary works covering the years 1815-1830. One of the latter, 'A History of Italian Unity,' by Bolton King (Scribners, N. Y., 1899) contains a very suggestive reference to postal affairs in the peninsula which I have been unable to trace down because available files of Austrian and the various Italian territories state papers are incomplete. I wonder if some of your readers might be able to throw light on what hints at being a most interesting bit of information on the postal service of a century ago. The reference follows: 'Already (shortly after the Congress of Vienna), there were signs of opposition. Piedmont had killed the schemes of an Austrian League, Rome had refused with coolness the alliance which Prince Metternich offered as the best "protection against the Gates of Hell"; the two states joined with Tuscany to reject proposals which would have given him absolute control of the postal communication of the Peninsula.' (Chapter 1, page 12.) Just what was the Austrian proposal and how would it have her control of the posts of the several states? It is surprising how many references to postal affairs a person does find in historical works. Seldom I can pick up a single volume without finding an interesting bit or two on matters connected with the mail service. And then there are those who talk as though the postal system became important only in our day."

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Visitor — Mr. Theodore Siddall of Shanghai, China, whose contributions of postal news to our columns have covered a period of many years, was a recent visitor to our Chicago office. Mr. Siddall gave much information about philatelic conditions in the orient where, as elsewhere generally, philately's popularity is gaining. It may be said that "quiet" collectors are to be found in many spots in the east where they would not be looked for exactly; and their collections sometimes are such as to rival those held in the centers of philately. It happened at the time of Mr. Siddall's call, a copy of the *Philatelic Monthly*, Philadelphia, Pa., February, 1886, chanced to be lying on our desk; and in it were the minutes of the January meeting of the Quaker City Philatelic Society, "Theo. Siddall, Secretary." "Time travels in divers places with divers persons," but what is a mere matter of thirty-five years or so to stamp collectors?

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Perhaps you would not today know the pleasures of philately and your time would be devoted in other channels. If you are an extensive collector you probably possess a dozen or more albums; my "albums" occupy fifty feet of shelving and are increasing at the rate of fifty or more volumes a year. If I should acknowledge that "my hobby" was the collecting of literature, you might, as some I have known, refuse to read further. So for the accommodation of those whose ideas may differ from mine, let me try and present the facts from a different angle.

Out of the billions of tons of printed matter that the presses of the world have produced, only a very small portion is classed by learned men as literature. Following their example, there is every reason why we should consider the printed word of philately in the same light. We are constantly reminded of the hundreds of periodicals that have been born, breathed the breath of life but for a short period and died in infancy an unmourned death. Some have tried to collect stamp papers as they would postage stamps, that is, collect all copies and all varieties regardless of their status or whether they were counterfeits, reprints or imitations.

We would much prefer to look on them not for their rarity or the beauty of their design of cover or the texture of paper or their general condition, but judge them entirely on contents. It is hardly fair to collect them as we would collect postage stamps; there is a sentiment, an association, a world of thought and a storehouse of knowledge in many of them, an emptiness approaching a vacuum in others. We exercise intelligent thought and good judgment in the purchase and arrangement of our stamp collection, and there is every reason why we should use the same reasoning power in our judgment of the printed word. Some are of value for current information, but are worthless for reference; many contain material that is permanent.

The excuse of many who otherwise would be glad to retain many of the better periodicals is that they cannot spare the room they would require This, under certain circumstances, is excusable, still, there are thousands of collectors who could easily spare the space if their library could be so arranged as to be easily accessible. A few publishers consider their periodical of sufficient value to warrant an index; others do not appear to care whether their readers get the full benefit of the material published or not. Even with the annual index of the better class of periodicals it is a tedious and discouraging job to find the data needed, as it requires a long search through the many indexes of the various publications. Cross indexing seems to have been unknown to many compilers, and we find many subjects commencing with unimportant words that are indexed rather than the real subject of the article, making it necessary to read the entire index to find what is wanted.

Publishers as a rule are willing to cater to the majority providing their desires are within reason, so if you and I see chances for certain improvements in the current philatelic press, it is really our duty to help correct them. It is certainly more commendable than faultfinding or boycotting. Publishers, editors and writers from the earliest time to the present have accomplished a wonderful work, far greater than you and I can realize. No one in these days could possibly imagine what the present status of the hobby would be if it had not been for the printed page. You can better appreciate these facts by intelligent reading of some of the earlier works. Take for instance the *American Journal of Philately, American Philatelist, Eastern Philatelist, Meropolitan Philatelist, Penn. Phil., P. J. of A.*, etc., of our own country as well as many from England. The greatest interest for me is to take complete files of these journals and read them from beginning to end, consecutively, noting the discussions as new issues were announced, varieties discovered, official documents published and the complete status of the stamps in question finally decided. All this painstaking work and research by the early philatelists have paved the way to clear sailing for those in this generation and made it possible to correctly catolog the stamps of that period for the edification of future generations.

There are hundreds of collectors who are anxiously waiting for the organization of a truly cosmopolitan literature society composed entirely of those who appreciate the best in our literature. A society that is not exclusive for the "high brows", but one that will admit any honest enthusiast be he young or old, beginner or advanced. Many of these cannot afford a library of their own but would be overjoyed to know that they could help support a national library where they could secure the loan of periodicals when needed, where a complete cumulated index could be consulted and where a real philatelic service could be obtained.

Publishers would be very glad to give publicity to an organization of this kind, for it would relieve them of many of the petty questions continually requiring them to write letters. A national institute and information bureau should be established where a day to day history of philately should be carefully recorded, every item of its various activities and a record complete as to details would serve a purpose far beyond even our own imagination.

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CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address

United States.—We learn with regret that Colonel Green's yacht has been sunk and we have been reliably informed that his wonderful collection of stamps were on board. Our informant states that this included 43 copies of the 24c aeroplane invert, his wonderful lot of plate numbers, the Nelton covers and other items too numerous to mention. We sincerely trust that if this is the case that the greater portion of his rarities are in waterproof safes. Col. Green was one of the heaviest purchasers of fine things at the Worthington Sale and has had the pick of many items that have come upon the market in recent years. It will be a blow to philately if we later learn that these are all lost.

Mr. Frank A. Hollowbush has shown us an oddity, namely an upper plate block of the 1c engraved, perf. 11 on unwatermarked paper from plate No. 10107 wherein we find two capital "F" 's before the number. A single "F" is usually placed upon the flat plates, generally in front of the upper right plate number to denote that the plate is "finished", but this is the first instance that has been brought to our attention of two letters on the same sheet.

While speaking of plate oddities, Mr. W. A. Langdon has sent us the left lower corner block of the 10c perf. 11, unwatermarked, showing the initials of the engraver that laid down the plate, under the first stamp in the last row instead of to the right of this stamp as is customary.

Freak varieties from the offset plates have been sent for our inspection by Messrs. T. B. Mason and William Knostman. The first gentleman has located the 3c showing a distinct curved line under the eye and the latter has found the 1c with phantom arrow, with smudge, etc. These surface printed stamps were turned out in such a manner that it is indeed difficult to find sheets that do not show defects of some kind. A sheet approaching the perfection would indeed be a rarity in itself.

Mr. Cassius S. Clay has been kind enough to secure for us an impression from the rubber stamp used to surcharge the New Orleans provisional "NARCOTIC" at the time before the Bureau varieties had arrived. The word is in small but tall capital letters and was printed in black. We are informed that only the 1c and 2c Documentary were overprinted. We now have quite a few of these provisional issues and will certainly welcome additional news. We want to print a list of these at an early date but intend waiting a little longer until we can hear from one or two of the other larger cities.

The daily newspapers of October 25th announce that the U. S. Senate has passed a bill extending to the widow of Colonel Theodore Roosevelt the customary mail franking privileges. This bill which previously passed the House, will without a doubt have been signed by the President before these notes are printed. Your editor has always considered that these franks properly have their place in a stamp collection and after many years search has gotten together 21 out of the 27 Presidential Franks. This collection includes one of Col. Roosevelt which I know to be a rarity and properly unique.

Argentine Republic.—According to the *Times* (17.9.19), a series of "Peace" stamps is announced for early issue—the values 2c, 5c, and 12c—in an allegorical design, representing the "Christ of the Andes."

As we have already explained, a temporary scarcity of the watermark stamp paper imported from Italy led to the printing of a small supply of the denominations ½c, 2c and 5c in the current type upon paper of local manufacture, watermarked "S.R.B." four times in the sheet only. Accordingly, about one-tenth of the stamps on each sheet show portions of the watermarked letters, while the remainder are devoid of watermark. —*Stamp Collecting.*

Bavaria.—C. G. Dietrich writes us:—"I enclose the new set of Bavaria—overprint 'Freistaat Bayern', which supersedes the 'Folksstaat Bayern' on the 1914 issue. As you will notice, the overprint is in considerably larger type than the Folksstaat overprint. So far I have only received the 3, 5, 10, 15, 25 and 80pf values but the remainder up to 20m will be in use now."

Belgium.—We quote from Adjt. Henry Hooreman:—"The 5fr blue with surcharge 'Allemagne-Duitschland' bears 'frank' instead of 'franken' and now the ordinary Belgium postage stamp 5fr has appeared with the Flemish word corrected by the use of the word 'frank' in the 1915 issue. The shade of these two stamps is quite a little different from the 1915 issue. There is a possibility of a change of a similar character in the 1916 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10fr railway stamps."

China.—Several journals have stated that two new denominations, 1½ and 13 cents, are to be issued. The Director General of the Chinese Postal Department informs us that there is no foundation for the rumour, and that no changes or new issues are contemplated. —*Whitfield King's Monthly List.*

Colombia.—We now learn that the proposed air mail service is an accomplished fact. Recently there was a trial flight, a quantity of Government and private mail being transported. For this occasion a special provisional stamp was issued, consisting of the current 2 centavos rose, overprinted "lo Servizio Postale Aereo". Only two hundred examples are said to have been so earmarked, and the majority of them were used on packets and letters sent to and from the Port of Barranquilla and Bogota, the capital of Colombia.—*Stamp Collecting.*

Germany.—Otto Frank tells us that three stamps in the new set have just appeared. The designs are all different and the values are 1m 25pf green, 1m 50pf brown and 2m 50pf red violet.

Robert Loebl sends us the following item of news:—"The German National assembly has passed a law fixing the postage on Newspapers, Magazines, etc., at 5pf, an increase of 2pf. On account of this, the 3pf stamps of the Germania type will be withdrawn from circulation, as its use was to pay postage on such matter and this will now be done by the 5pf stamp. Besides the 3 pfennig stamp, it has also been decided to withdraw the 2½ and 7½ pfennig values as their use will be so limited that their retention would become a loss to the government."

Georgia.—All values except the 1 rouble are now issued perforated, and two new values, 10 kopecs blue and 50 kopecs green, have been added to the set. In the consignment just received we found several sheets of the 70 kopecs with one horizontal row of perforations missing.—*Whitfield King's Monthly List.*

Jugo-Slav on Hungary "S.H.S."—Messrs. Bright & Son report the following: 2, 3, 5, 6, 25, 35f, Inverted Overprint; 2, 3, 5, 6, 15, 20, 35f Double Overprint; 10, 20f (Karl), 40f (Zita) but with overprint as used for Harvester type.

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PORTUGAL.—"You will no doubt be interested to learn that I have on hand the 20c Portugal Ceres issue printed brown on buff instead of brown on green, and also a new 4c green, same colour as the 3½c.

"The letter I received had two 4c stamps, new variety, on it instead of the usual 7½c, so that it is probable that the rate for letters has been altered."—*Stamp Collecting.*

ROUMANIA (*Levant P. O.*).—Stamps of the values 5, 10, 15, 25, and 40 bani were overprinted POSTA ROMANA CONSTANTINOPOL in circle with royal monogram. They were, however, in issue only a few weeks, and at present the current Roumanian stamps without this surcharge are being used. There are two distinct shades of the 5 and 10 bani.

Corpl. A. B. Auckland writes from Bucharest:—

"I note a suggestion regarding the reason for the surcharge of the 'monogram in circle' on the 1, 5, and 10 bani stamps of the current issue. I have made inquiries here and am told that the Germans, on occupying Bucharest, seized large stocks of stamps of the 1909 issue, and, as a consequence, the Roumanians, after the armistice, changed the colours of all the stamps with the exception of the 1, 5, and 10 bani values, which they surcharged with the 'monogram in circle'. Those stamps in the original colours or without monogram can no longer be used for franking."—*Stamp Collecting.*

URUGUAY.—We are indebted to A. C. Roessler for the following information in regard to the numbers on the peace stamps issued:—2c, 600,000; 4c, 400,000; 5c, 500,000; 8c, 300,000; 20c, 100,000; 23c, 100,000.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—W. F. Ferguson of New York sends us a clipping from a Harlem paper giving the particulars of an assault upon Renhold Fleischman, proprietor of the Universal Stamp Co. with office at 250 W. 125 St. Mr. Fleischman was attacked by five thugs and despite the great odds he fought desperately and beat off his assailants. They fled without getting anything.

—The Belmont Stamp Co. desires attention called to the fact that the office of the company has been removed from Ocean Grove, N. J., to the old stand, 551 N. 52 St., Philadelphia, Pa.

—*A. E. D.*—Give us two more weeks and we shall straighten out your name all right. We know how you feel! Letters come to the Managing Editor addressed Wiley, Willey, Whylie and Mr. Ohlman makes it O'Wylie—but why worry?

—We are informed by Otto Frank that the new Senf 1919 catalog is out and the price is $1.30.

—The annual meeting of the Androscoggin Stamp Club, Auburn, Me., was held recently, and the following officers were elected:—Pres., H. G. Zervas; Sec. and Treas., D. H. Day; Sales Manager, C. C. Abbott. The club has eighteen members and meetings are held every month. We are indebted to the retiring president, Reuel W. Smith, for this information.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from Wm. Hoffman, Cecil F. Blogg, Emil J. Rall, Monarch Exchange, H. G. Burwick, C. C. Donaldson, George Meyer, R. E. Wade, Jr., Reuel W. Smith, Leopold Roth, A. J. Croker, Wm. L. Hamilton, H. B. Kierman, A. A. Kranhold.

—E. L. Clark of the Essex Publishing Co., Lynn, Mass., sends us a couple clippings from local papers dealing with the activities of the Lynn Philatelic Societies. This club is very much alive and its program for the season does great credit to it.

—"Reading so many items in your valued paper about our postal administration and its slow methods of working, let me take this chance to submit an example of their speed: Attached find an envelope postmarked Jacksonville, Illinois, in *1920*. They have been using this postmark for some time, evidently hoping to get their mail out by the time this date falls due."—A. G. BROWN.

MICH. STAMP CLUB EXHIBITIONS.

We have received from Karl Koslowski a schedule of the exhibitions of the Michigan Stamp Club for the present season. On Nov. 15 Great Britain and Colonies were shown, also U. S. revenues and M. & M. For the remainder of the season the program is as follows:—

Dec. 20—France and Colonies; United States Aeroplane Covers; Plate numbers.

Jan. 17.—General collections, 19th century; general collections, 20th century.

Feb. 21—United States, used pairs, strips and blocks; Philippines, Porto Rico, Cuba, Hawaii, Guam, Danish West Indies.

Mar. 20—United States postage and Fifty (50) foreign covers.

Apr. 17—Confederate States, on and off cover, and War stamps (occupation, red cross, provisional, etc.).

May 15—United States, cancellations, United States, precancels, Fifty (50) U. S. covers.

June 19—British North America and United States, unused blocks.

July 17—United States, stamped envelopes, postal cards and wrappers. U. S. side-lines (errors, freaks, oddities, counterfeits).

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The stamp was engraved and printed by Carpenter in Philadelphia and was in use about one year as will be seen by the data from the Boston Book:—

Die approved, Dec. 1, 1871.
First issued, Dec., 1871.
Last issued, Nov., 1872.
210 stamps per sheet (14x15).
759,000 issued in black on silk paper.

It is an upright rectangle of the usual 1c siz with "One Cent" across the top and "New York" across the bottom. The firm name, etc., is inscribed on a circular band which is broken at the sides to admit the numerals "1". Within the circle is a triangle containing an open eye and above the eye, in the upper point of the triangle is a star. At the left of the triangle is "Paragon" and at the right "Matches". The effect is most unusual but pleasing.

Arnold & Co.

This stamp is exactly the same as that of Bock, Schneider & Co. except that the firm name has been changed to Arnold & Co. It was in use only a few months according to the data given in the Boston Book:—

Die approved, Oct. 24, 1872.
First issued, Dec., 1872.
Last issued, April, 1873.
495,000 issued in black on silk paper.

"The plate was bought from Bock, Schneider & Co. by the Paragon Match Co. 509 & 511 W. 45th St., New York, on Sept. 25, 1872. On Oct. 21, 1872 Mr. Carpenter is advised that the Paragon Match Co. has become Arnold & Co. and is ordered to change the lettering, as above, on the stamp."

The Paragon Match Co. is not listed in the New York directories and Arnold & Co. appears only in a business directory for 1873-74. The city directory for 1873-74 does not mention Genin and Mr. Bock is dropped from the next edition. The first Paragon Match stamp is fairly plentiful but the second one—Arnold & Co.—is not easy to find and the centering is usually unsatisfactory.

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L. B. Dover, Overland, Mo.	26
Edgewood Stamp Co., Milford, Ct.,	24
Royal Stamp Co., W. Phila., Pa.	14
Covert Stamp Co., Rochester, N. Y.	8
Paul F. Cornish, Schenectady, N. Y.	8
Excel Stamp Co., Chicago, Ill.	6
Eugene Klein, Phila., Pa.,	6
Foye Stamp Co., Detroit, Mich.	6
E. P. Seebohm, San Francisco, Cal.	5
Silas Weatherby, Medina, O.	5
W. C. Phillips & Co., Hartford, Conn.	5
F. L. Onken, Brooklyn, N. Y.	4
W. P. Colman, Washington, D. C.	4
Apex Stamp Co., Bradford, Mass.	4
J. J. Favela, N. Y. City	4
Chas. Christensen, Milwaukee, Wis.	3
A. E. Hussey, Cincinnati, O.	3
F. H. Vallancey, London, England	3
E. W. Spafford, Martville, N. Y.	3
R. C. Buckey, Dayton, O.	3

THE MANAGING EDITOR.

MARKET NOTES.

A correspondent in St. John's furnishes me with a few details regarding the "Alcock" air provisionals.

In all, 10,000 15c Cabots were overprinted in sheets of 25 stamps. Each sheet contains 18 normals—*i. e.*, with comma after "Post," 7 without comma, and one specimen with no stop after 1919. The latter variety is thus easily the best, as only 400 copies exist.

The two lines Bahamas War stamps (London print) appear to be steadily rising in price, the 1s value in particular being quite hard to get at all.

I notice a very unusual lot of war stamps in a forthcoming sale, and by the time these notes are in print collectors will probably fully realize how rare Coronation Bushires and good Togos are. I am prepared to see the Bushires fetch big prices.

I notice Russian stamps are about in large quantities, including the handsome stamps of Russian Levant. I fancy collectors will be able to buy these shortly at fair reductions on present prices.

Mosuls have at last reached this country, and collectors would do well to buy them at present rates, as from what I hear they will rise in price as soon as the present lot on the market is absorbed. They are now obsolete, and when supplies have to be replenished an advance is bound to follow, as the holders in India and out East want more than 7sh per set wholesale in quantity.

In Armistice stamps things are a bit more settled, and we do not get a new issue every day as before! But, nevertheless, curious things still turn up from Central Europe, not the least remarkable of which are Hungarian stamps surcharged "OCCUPATION FRANÇAISE."

Collectors would do well to watch Syria for philatelic developments.

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Jamaica, mixed, 100 ..... .50
Turks Is., 3d War, red, 2 lines ..... .20
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Jamaica, ½d red, War ..... .05
3d black, War ..... .10
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"Then you want a two cent stamp; here you are."

"Oh, red ones! Never! Do you suppose I'd put that sickly shade of crushed gooseberry juice on my robin's egg blue envelopes? Is this the nearest thing you have in two cent stamps?"

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"Oh, the price doesn't matter; let me see them, please."

"Here they are, beautiful shade of blue."

"H'm; good enough shade, but it doesn't quite harmonize with my envelopes. You see they are a sort of greenishy-blue, and your stamps are more indigoish. Do you expect any new ones in?"

"Well, not any different colors."

"Oh, dear, that's always the way! But maybe I could take some of these and dye them with my Easter egg dyes to match my paper. I did that with some lace, and it worked awfully well! What's the lightest color you have?"

"These pale green ones are as light as any. But if you dye them blue you can't use them."

"Why not?"

"The Government won't allow it."

"How mean! As if it made any difference to them what color stationery people use! It almost makes me want to be a suffragette when I hear of such tyranny! Not that I'd really be one! I'm too fond of frilly frocks and lingerie ribbons. And I'm fearfully afraid of a mouse! But I'd like to have a few rights about postage stamps. I do think the selection is very limited. There's more beauty and variety in cigar bands. Well, I'll look at these violet ones. How much are they?"

"These are three cents apiece."

"H'm; two for five cents, I suppose. Well, I could get violet note paper, and use violet ink; then these stamps would do nicely."

"And they'd match your eyes fairly well, too."

"Isn't that queer! Everybody says I have violet eyes, but, really they're not a bit the color of these stamps, you know."

"No? Look at me and let me see; well, no, they're not exactly the same shade, but they're violet eyes, all right. How many stamps will you have?"

"Two, please; but won't you give them to me out of the middle of the sheet? Those around the edge seem a little faded."

"We can't tear stamps out of the middle of a sheet!"

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LOW PRICED NUMBERS.

Hundreds of stamps were sold from this column in our last page "ad" to advanced collectors. This, too, will be well worth your while to read through.

Scott's No.		Our Price
109	**Abyssinia,** ½g rose	.20
110	1g green and orange	.20
111	2g blue	.25
115	**Belgium,** 35c orange and black	.09
116	40c green and black	.14
117	50 cent rose and black	.16
*547	5 franc orange & green	.07
*548	10 franc	.15
232	**Bosnia,** 12 on 10h	.08
52	**Canal Zone,** 12 cent	.15
53	15 cent blue and black	.18
* 17	**Congo,** 50 centime	.15
*159	**Cuba,** 4m brown	.15
* 23	**Curacao,** 30 cent gray	.08
624	**Egypt Soudan,** 2pia	.15
625	5 piastre	.20
60	**Fiji,** 1 penny	.10
91	**Finland,** 1 mark	.05
96	10 Pen red	.05
100	40 Pen violet	.10
20	**France,** 80 centime	.15
121	2 franc	.06
122	5 franc	.20
208	50+50 cent	.20
802	**France-China,** 15 cent	.15
805	20 cent red	.18
*1520	10 cent carmine	.20
41	**Gambia,** 1 penny	.08
77	**Germany,** 3 mark	.05
89	60 pfennig	.08
*301	**German-China,** 3pf brown	.08
347-9	1, 2, 4 surcharges	.08
74	**Gold Coast,** 6 pence	.12
75	1 shilling	.20
88	**Great Britain,** 1p, 14 dots	.06
140	5 shilling	.20
173	2 shilling 6 pence	.12
1177	1pia on 2½ pence	.07
*424	**Greece,** 11 green and bl.	.07
82	**Grenada,** 2½ pence blue	.06
123	**Guatemala,** 2 pesos	.12
162	$1-50 cents	.09
* 11	**Guinea,** 25 reis, rose	.06
* 30	**Hawaii,** 1 cent purple	.12
31	2 cent vermilion	.20
21-4	**Hayti,** 4 varieties	.28
37	20 cent brown	.12
*217-8	20 and 50 surcharges	.12
* 62	**Honduras,** 2 pesos	.05
*311	Official surcharge	.10
80	**Hong Kong,** 10 cent	.09
85	1 Dollar, pin perf.	.18
110	50 cent green	.18
91	**India,** 2 rupees	.18
226	2 annas Service	.07
259	2 rupees, O. H. M. S.	.15
17	**Indo-China,** 5 cents	.07
19	15 cent, gray	.10
22	5 on 15, scarce	.05
50	35 centimes	.07
86	**Italy,** 5 lire	.15
*215	Air Post	.15
281	50 lire yellow	.15
282	100 lire blue	.06
*1351-3	Libia, Charity	.12
*1354	20 on 15 and 5	.12
67	**Jamaica,** 6 pence	.10
68	1 shilling	.20
107	**Japan,** 3 sen red	.10
108	1½ sen blue	.15
109	3 sen rose	.25
114	10 yen violet	.15
143	10 sen ultramarine	.15
*144-5	1½ & 3 sen	.15
330	**Japan-China,** 20 sen	.18
* 33	**Labuan,** 2 cent rose	.06
64	50 cent claret	.18
84	18 cent	.12
* 16	**Liberia,** 1 cent ult.	.10
* 19	12 cent yellow	.20
* 20	24 cent, rose	.20
*134	2 cent red	.10
*376	5 cent, triangle	.25
*377	5 cent, rouletted	.25
* 61	**Luxemburg,** 12½ cent	.06
142	**Macao,** diagonal half	.20
133	**Mauritius,** 15 cent	.08
*160-1-2	**Mexico,** 3 varieties	.10
302	1 peso	.10
319	1 peso	.10
*359	20 cent brown	.12
*398	20 cent	.07
*431	50 cent surch.	.15
*487	4 cent carmine	.18
525	50 cent brown	.25
535	20 cent	.12
545	10 cent	.12
546	15 cent	.18
*603	2½p on 1 cent	.12
1	**Modena,** 5 cent green	.20
* 24	**Montenegro,** 2 florin	.20
*188	1kr green	.12
23	**Mozambique Co.** 1000r	.20
89	**Natal,** 6 pence	.10
* 6	**New Brunswick,** 1p	.25
91	**Newfoundland,** 5 cents	.08
* 74	**New Zealand,** 2½ pence	.10
137	8 pence blue	.12
* 1	**Nicaragua,** 2 cent blue	.10
* 10	5 cent black	.20
* 12	25 cent green	.14
345	5 on 5 peso	.10
951	5 on 5 cent	.12
56	**North Borneo,** 6 cent	.10
68	25 cent blue	.10
69	50 cent violet	.10
70	One dollar red	.12
* 11	**N. W. Pacific Is.,** ½p	.06
93	**Norway,** 1kr green	.06
94	1kr 50 ore ult.	.25
95	2kr rose	.18
82	**Siam,** 1 tical	.15
34	**Tasmania,** 1 shilling, pen	.15

SOMETHING BETTER!

In this list will be found many of the very best medium priced items obtainable. Many of the missing stamps in your collection will be found in this column.

Scott's No.		Our Price
108	**Albania,** 10 on 5, rare	.90
109	20 on 10, rare	.90
110	1gr on 25, rare	.90
5	**Antigua,** 1 penny	.40
* 30	5 shilling fine	2.50
204	**Argentine,** 20 pesos, perf. in.	.50
230	20p perf. initials, cat. $30.	1.00
40	**Austria,** 50 krone	.50
169	**Azores,** 1e green	.90
* 37	**Bahamas,** 6 pence, scarce	.55
*101	Special Delivery, 1st Type	1.65
*	3 pence War	.30
15	**Barbados,** ½ penny green	.75
* 50	½ penny green	.35
5	**Bavaria,** 1kr pink	.35
118	**Belgium,** 1 franc violet	.35
119	2 franc slate	.60
33	**Bolivia,** 50 cent red	.30
34	100 cent yellow	.65
88	1 bolivar	.40
89	2 bolivar, scarce	.85
27	**Brazil,** 300 reis, fair copies	1.15
74	260 reis brown	.75
198	5000 reis brown	.30
15	**British Honduras,** 4 pence	.40
8	**Bulgaria,** 10st bl. and green	.40
* 55	**Canada,** 6 cent brown	.75
* 7	**Canal Zone,** 8 cent on U. S.	1.10
* 27	**Cayman Islands,** 1 shilling	.50
212	**Ceylon,** 1 rupee violet	.30
213	2 rupees, black & red	.60
* 38	**Chile,** 30 cent carmine	.40
* 78	1 peso, rare	2.50
* 94	1 peso, Jubilee	.60
95	2 pesos, Jubilee	.80
110	2 pesos, 1911 Issue	.35
111	5 pesos, same issue	1.00
112	10 pesos, same issue	1.50
139	2 pesos, current	.30
336	**Colombian Rep.,** 20 cent	.38
629	10 cent red and black, rare	3.00
* 35	**Bolivar,** 5 pesos	.40
46	**Corea,** 10ch blue	.32
54	**Costa Rica,** 10 colon	.50
*103	10 cent orange	.45
246	**Cuba,** 1 peso	.50
* 25	**Curacao,** 2½ on 10	.30
* 6	**Danish W. Indies,** 3 cent	.25
* 30	8 cent brown	.35
* 36	50 bit	.40
5	**Dominica,** 1 penny violet	.50
*133a	**Dominican Rep.,** inv. centre	1.10
56	**Dutch Indies,** 2½ gulden	.60
* 39	**East Africa & Uganda,** 75c	.75
* 53	**Ecuador,** 1 sucre	.75
*152	5 sucres	
*179	50 cent Triangle	
*180	1 sucre, same issue	
*189	5 sucres violet	
58	**Egypt,** 100m black	.30
59	20m plum	.55
*818	Soudan, 1 piastre	.30
*819	2pia, Army Service	.60
* 42	**Eritrea,** 20 on 15	.30
*154	Italian Charity surch.	.25
* 28	**Falkland Islands,** 3sh	2.00
* 29	5 shilling, rare	4.00
92	**Finland,** 5 marks	.60
* 38	**Fr. Oceanica,** 10 cent red	.30
17	**Gibraltar,** 25 on 2p	.30
142	**Great Britain,** 1 pound	3.75
*1167	5pia on 1 shilling	.40
3	**Grenada,** 1 penny	.65
* 1	**Guam,** 1 cent green	.30
*142	**Guatemala,** 5 pesos	.40
33	**Hawaii,** 6 cent green	.30
* 36	12 cent black	.75
* 41	15 cent brown	1.15
*102	5 cent brown, no gum	.65
*105	12 cent orange, no gum	.65
*138	**Honduras,** 1 peso	.40
162	10 on 5	.40
173	5 on 10, used	.50
* 69	**Hong Kong,** 50 cent	.70
70	One dollar	1.00
86	Two dollars, pin perf.	.55
* 68	**Iceland,** 100a violet	.70
*1352	**Italy, Libia** Charity	.90
39	**Jamaica,** 5 pence	.75
57	2 shilling, bank canc.	.50
111	**Liberia,** 1 dollar	.40
112	Two Dollars	.95
113	Five Dollars	1.50
455	1918, One Dollar, fine	.90
456	Two Dollars, fine	1.65
457	Five Dollars, fine	4.00
143	**Macao,** 2a blue, cat. $2.00	.50
* 20c	**Malta,** rare error	1.90
107	**Netherlands,** 5 gulden	1.15
* 1	**New Britain,** rare G. R. I.	6.25
*201	1 on 3, O. S.	1.60
119	**New Zealand,** 2 shilling	.35
146	**North Borneo,** 18 cent	.40
*192	**Panama,** 25 cent	.30
50-1-2	**Persia,** 3 varieties, fine	.50
175	**Peru,** 1sol, scarce	.45
218	1917-18 issue, 1sol	.50
219	Same issue, 2sols	1.00
252	**Philippines,** 2 peso, cat. $2.50	.60
* 6	**Rhodesia,** 8 pence	.35
*138	½ on 1 penny	1.00
*139	½ on 1 penny	1.00
93	**Sweden,** 1.98 on 5kr, rare	1.00
94	2.12 on 5kr, rare	1.25
440	5kr claret	.60
167	**Straits Settlements,** $25 K. Geo., a rarity as they come, cat. $25	3.00
210	**Tunis,** 5 franc P. Post	.45
265	**Turkey,** 5 piastre	.45
266	10 piastre	.75
431-4	1916-18, rare, 4 varieties	3.25

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Practically all of the stamps listed below will be found in our net priced approval books. This is the quality of stamps which we keep on hand at all times and thereby insure satisfaction. We have the good things at a few cents each or several dollars each, and remember we will receive First Consignment of New Foreign in this country. Our continuous premium plan is still good. Try a selection and be convinced. Reference required—if a minor parent's signature preferred.

U. S. BARGAINS.

Scott's No.		Our Price
* 50c	10 cent green, no gum	$2.00
71	30 cent orange	.75
112	1 cent bull, 1869	.50
115	6 cent blue, 1869	.60
119	15 cent, brown & blue, 1869	1.00
153	24 cent purple	.90
*209	10 cent brown	.22
*217	30 cent brown	.60
1 to 15	cent Columbian, 9 var.	.35
1 to 50	cent, Trans-Miss., 7 var.	1.00
Pan	American complete, o. g.	.60
407	$2 blue, 1917	.65
408	$5 green, 1917	1.00
435	$2 bi-color, 1918	.75
436	$5 bi-color, 1918	1.00
*1572	2 cent Treasury	.22
*2004	5 cent blue, Newspaper	1.50
*1896	Special Delivery, o. g.	.18
2295	25 cent P. P. Due	.38
3816	3 cent Playing Cards Fair	3.00
*5996a	2 cent Inverted surcharge	1.00
4042	$50 brown	.50
4043	$100 Marshall, cut can.	3.50

SETS.

Scott's No.		Our Price
160-168	**Argentine,** 9 varieties	.35
*530-545a	**Belgium,** 17 varieties	.32
*30-45	**Bosnia,** complete	1.50
*46-61	**Bosnia,** Birthday, cplt. except No. 50	3.00
351-63	**Bosnia,** Postage Due	.28
98-112	**Chile,** 15 varieties	3.10
176-191	**China,** 16 varieties	.50
*174-180	**Ecuador,** Triangles, rare	1.35
*814-819	**Egypt** Soudan, scarce	1.50
*33-36	**Gabon,** 4 varieties	.18
*40-50	**Honduras,** complete	.25
101-113	**Liberia,** 1 cent to $5	3.90
115-124	**Liberia,** 10 varieties	1.00
163-175	**Liberia** 1918 complete	8.25
310 314	**Liberia,** 5 var., fine	.30
409-418	**Liberia,** 10 varieties	1.00
445-457	**Liberia** 1918, O. S. complete	8.25
	Some of these Liberia never offered.	
*90-100	**Persia,** complete, scarce	.95
*136-151	**Persia,** 16 var. complete	1.20
*142-144	**Russia,** 3 varieties	.22
402-411	**Salvador,** complete, scarce	.40
*1105-1113	**Austria Turkey,** rare	2.40
*1155-1157	**Austria Crete,** rare	1.20
*92-100	**Belgium,** 10 varieties	.60

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—	***Bohemia,** 6 varieties	.40	3.50
—	***Bohemia,** Express (in sets)	.25	2.00
—	***Bosnia,** Charity, 2 vars.	1.00	
—	***German** Assembly, 3 vars.	.85	
*251	**Montenegro,** scarce	.15	
94	**Netherlands,** ½ cent	.20	1.75
266	**Philippines,** 12 cent	.15	
174	**Roumania,** cat. .40	.70	
*152	**Salvador,** 15 cent	.25	
*183	**Salvador,** 13 cent	.18	
*132-3	**Serbia,** King Peter issue	1.00	
* 95	**Siam,** 1att Jubilee	.25	
*143	**Siam,** 2 on 14 blue, scarce	.55	
*	**Siam** Victory, 2s choice	.55	
*60-68	**Switzerland,** 9 var., fine	.85	
146	**North Borneo,** very scarce	3.00	

BRAND NEW ITEMS.

	Our Price
Austria Air Post, 3 varieties	$1.25
***Austria** 1916-17, Special Del., 6 var.	.18
***Bavaria Republic** 5 on 10 & 15, 2 var.	.15
***Belgium,** Occup. of Germany, 2 var.	.05
Belgium, Prov. Dues, cat. $3.50, 11 var.	1.50
Bolivia 1919, 10, 20, 22, 24, 50, obsolete	1.00
Bulgaria 1918, 4 varieties	.40
***Cilicie on Turkey,** 2 var. on Comm.	.45
***Don Cossack Rep.,** 4 varieties	.80
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***San Marino** Charity, Nov. 3rd, 3 var.	.90
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***Siam** Victory, 5 varieties	1.10
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*34 to 40	**Bahamas,** complete	11.00
*40 to 51	**Bermuda,** complete	12.00
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* 9	**British Columbia,** fair	4.00
*12	**British Columbia,** fair	6.25
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6	**Cape of Good Hope,** 1sh fair	7.50
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*200 to 215	**Ceylon,** 13 var.	7.25
2	**Dominica,** 6 pence	4.00
3	**Dominica,** 1 shilling	3.50
6	**Dominica,** 2½ pence	2.75
10	**Dominica,** ½ on half of 1p	3.75
821	**Egypt,** 10 piastres, rare	18.00
*58	**Elobey, Annobon & Corisco,** 25 on 10 violet	8.50
*47	**Gabon,** 2 franc	8.00
1	**Gambia,** 4 pence imp., rare	12.50
2	**Gambia,** 6 pence imp. rare	10.00
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UNOFFICIAL.—These are varieties which never received official sanction, such as the "Susse" perforation on early French stamps, the roulettes on the triangular stamps of the Cape of Good Hope, etc.

UNPAID LETTER STAMPS.—These are special stamps affixed by the postal authorities in many countries to unpaid or insufficiently prepaid letters to denote the amount of postage or fine to be collected from the addressee.

UNPERFORATED (not perforated).—A word frequently used in the early days of philately and now superseded by "imperforate".

UNSEVERED.—Undivided or "unsevered" pairs of certain bi-sected stamps are infinitely more valuable than the two portions are collectively after they have been separated.

UNSURFACED PAPER. — Paper without a glaze on its face—used only in cases where stamps exist on both surfaced and unsurfaced paper to distinguish one from the other.

UNUSED.—A stamp which has not been obliterated.

UNWATERMARKED. — Stamps printed on paper innocent of any sort of watermarked device.

U. P. U. (Universal Postal Union).—These letters appear on many of the stamps of certain Central and South American republics.

UPPER SENEGAL AND NIGER.—The present name for the French colony on the west coast of Africa which was previously known as Senegambia and Niger. Postage stamps bearing the new designation were first issued in 1906.

URUGUAY.—The smallest of the South American republics. Postage stamps were first issued on October 1st, 1856.

U. S. A.—Shown on some of the United States departmental stamps of 1873.

USED.—A stamp that has been employed for the purpose for which it was made.

USED ABROAD.—A term applied to the stamps of a country used in one of its colonies, protectorates or consular offices maintained in a foreign country. In many of the British colonies British stamps were on sale before the colonies issued their own distinctive stamps and these are generally termed "British used abroad". Similarly the United States stamps used at the consular office at Shanghai are "U.S." used abroad".

U. S. I. R. (United States Internal Revenue).—A watermark found in connection with many United States revenue stamps.

U. S. MAIL.—Appears on the 2c carrier's stamp of New York issued in 1846.

U. S. PENNY POST.—Is shown upon the first 2c carrier's stamp issued in Boston in 1849.

U. S. P. O. (United States Post Office).—These letters are shown upon all the Philadelphia carrier's stamps issued in 1849-52.

U. S. P. O. DESPATCH.—Appears on the 1c Eagle carrier's stamp issued in 1851.

U. S. POSTAGE.—Shown on most of the postage stamps of the United States.

U. S. P. S.—These letters were watermarked in most of the United States postage stamps issued between 1895 and 1916.

V.

V.—An overprint found on certain South Australian stamps used during the period 1868-74 on the official correspondence dealing with the Volunteers. These stamps were superseded in 1874 by the general issue for all government departments overprinted "O. S."

V. A.—Another South Australian overprint of the 1868-74 period signifying "Valuator and Auctioneer".

VALE.—An overprint found on many of the stamps of Nicaragua meaning "Valid".

VALENCIA.—A province of Spain. Special stamps were issued by the Carlists in 1874-5.

VALEVOLE PER LE STAMPE.—An overprint found on certain parcel post stamps of Italy which were by this means converted into 2c stamps for use on newspapers and other printed matter. It means "Available for printed matter".

VALUE TABLET.—The tablet, or disc, forming that part of the design of a postage stamp upon which the facial value is inscribed.

VALLADOLID.—A fortified city of Spain. During the period the provisional government had charge of affairs in 1868, the stamps used in the city post office were overprinted "Habilitado por la Nacion".

VANCOUVER ISLAND.—An island now forming part of British Columbia which issued its own 5c and 10c stamps in July, 1865.

VAN DIEMAN'S LAND.—The original name for the British colony of Tasmania, which appears on its first postage stamps.

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Who knows anything about plating the 12c black of 1857? Not the plate used for printing the imperforates, though I suppose this can be plated, but the far more interesting second or third plate which shows so many extra line varieties. If anyone can supply me with full information regarding the make-up of this plate and the why of all these extra lines I will send him a demijohn of Lake Keuka grape juice with instructions how to keep it from fermenting, if he wants to know.

These days I occasionally run across the trail of some fly-speck sleuth who is quietly gathering up the 12c, '57, but as evidence of the slight attention generally paid to the minor varieties of this stamp, only a day or two ago I bought a mint copy of the nice variety with double line at bottom for the price of an ordinary stamp and that was in a Nassau Street shop, famous as a hunting ground for those who like $40 cancellations on the 5c '47. I have been looking for the stamp only three years and to find one so easily makes me think they must be quite common. You may identify this stamp when you run across it both by the fine double line of outer frame at the bottom and, where this double line is faint, as is sometimes the case, by the fact that both lower rosettes touch the outer frame at bottom, instead of stopping at the inner frame. This variety is caused by a shift, or re-entry, which to some extent affected the entire design, for in a very clear impression there are traces of doubling in some of the letters of the upper label, notably in "os" of postage.

There are, however, a number of frame line varieties of these stamps not caused by shifts, and of a nature to make one think the 12c plate must have been retouched along with the 1c, 5c, 10c and 30c stamps of this issue. I never have seen such an idea suggested but if we take into account the broken and missing line varieties before checking up the extra line varieties the reason for and probability of such a proceeding becomes more obvious. Working from left to right, we have left outer frame broken; left outer frame missing; right outer frame broken; right outer frame line missing. This suggests either a badly worn plate, or an effort to erase side lines in order to make room for perforations; more likely the former as no particular harm could be done the design by running perforations through frame lines.

Then in the matter of extra lines we have two outer frame lines at left, with one at the right; two outer lines at left and a broken or partly missing line at right. The same on the opposite side, two outer frame lines at right, with one good frame line at left; and two outer lines at right and no frame or a broken frame line at right. While these seem to indicate two states in each of two main varieties there really are more, for sometimes the outer lines are close together and parallel; sometimes close and converging at the top or bottom; and then again they are parallel but quite widely spaced. Quite often one of the doubled frame lines is worn or broken, suggesting that the retoucher (?) attempted to recut the broken line but missed it and cut a parallel line instead.

The widely spaced varieties are found in the imperforate stamps, which sometimes show an extra and parallel line on either the left or right side. A pair showing this peculiarity is to be sold with Jones' collection. They look as though the sheet had been divided by a double center line. In any event they do not at all resemble the stamps with extra or broken lines in the perforated series. The imperforate and the first printings of the perforated stamps are clean cut and perfect, with no signs of worn or broken lines.

Then, of a sudden, come these muddy, rough-looking things. They are poor impressions, usually intense, instead of the ordinary gray black. They seem far commoner unused than used, which may indicate that large bunch of '57 remainders presented to one of the real Early Byrds of the stamp game. Far from commanding a premium, most of the extra and broken line varieties that have come my way have been offered at a discount. No one in the stamp business seems to attach any importance to the extra lines, and I suppose they are offered below par because of their rough appearance.

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"Seebeck" is the name of a Belgian port blown up by the *Indicative*.
"Percé en arc" was the son of Noah.
"Sugar Paper" is used to "rap currents."
"Changeling" is somebody else's baby.
"Plated" is what you do to your hair, and the spoons and forks.
"Double Impression" means second thoughts.
"Horn on Forehead" signifies the Devil.
"Thurn and Taxis" are what you go about in.
"With grille" means not rationed.
The animal on the Tasmanian stamps is called a "Duck-billed Polypus."
"11½ x 12" = 138.
"Van demon's land" is where you get Tasmanian devils.
"Mint," the thing you have with lamb.
"Bogus," the man who invented golf.
"Milreés" is a rapid stream.
"Bleuté" was a German General.
"Peace and Commerce" were Heathen Myths.
"Remainder" is what is left over, when it won't go.
"Sonora," a thing in music.
"Togo," a coat worn by Romans.
"Spandrels," a kind of dog.

—*Phil. Jour. of India.*

CHILE.

Chile is the country that resembles the German dachshund, which has been described as "a dog and a half long and half a dog wide," though we think Chile can beat the dog in the matter of dimensions. It is occupied by a hardy and virile people with a strong and well advanced government, and the energy and intelligence of the inhabitants has won for them the title of the "Yankees of South America."

Chile was the third country of South America to issue stamps, having been preceded by Brazil and British Guiana. Its first issue has furnished one of the most interesting problems that philatelists have been called upon to solve. It was ordered through an English agency in Valparaiso, and they entrusted the work to Perkins, Bacon & Co. of London, who sent out a supply of the 5 and 10 centavo stamps with the printing plates and a stock of watermarked paper in 1853. The stamps were issued on July 1st in the well known design with the profile of Columbus. This bust was for many years the subject of an amusing controversy over its identity; yet all the time it was mutely being proclaimed in plain bold letters above it as COLON. One might suppose that among the many intelligent collectors who read and wrote for the philatelic press in those early days there would be some who knew enough of history or Spanish to be aware that the Great Discoverer was known to Spain as "Cristóbal Colon."

The first supply of stamps was insufficient for a very lengthy period, and in six months' time a new order was sent to London. It took so long in being filled that they had to print a supply locally, but instead of using the plate of the 5c stamp directly they took a lithographic transfer and printed by that method in June, 1854. This fact was not discovered by philatelists until Mr. J. N. Luff noticed some peculiar "faults" in certain stamps in 1902, and further search by Messrs. Bacon and Hall in England confirmed the supposition. Later local printings of both the 5 and 10c stamps were made direct from the plates. In 1859 companion stamps of 1c and 20c were ordered from England, but were not issued until January 1, 1862. The variations in the shapes of the 5 and 10c watermarks were due to different supplies of paper being sent out from England at different times. During several shortages of 5c stamps the 10c were halved diagonally and used instead.

Less philatelic interest attaches to most of the succeeding issues of Chili, which have as a rule been perfectly straightforward. The second issue in 1867 was made by the American Bank Note Co. and included the same values with the addition of a 2c. Both these issues were used for fiscal purposes as well as postal and can be told by pen cancellations.

A new design was asked for in 1877 and the American Bank Note Co. prepared the well known one with the large numerals crossed by the word "centavos." They appeared in September and were rouletted instead of being perforated. In June, 1878, a 50c value was added, but this had the word "centavos" *beneath* the numerals and proved the forerunner of a like change in all the other values, which came about gradually, from the 1c in 1880 to the 20c in 1886. Three new values were added in September, 1892, the 15 and 25c in the usual type and a large and imposing 1 peso in bicolor. In 1894 the 1 and 2c were re-engraved, the large figure "1" being broadened and losing the little ornaments at its foot, while the "ball" of the "2" has been cut away, leaving a curved line instead. The issue in this type was completed by a 30c in 1899.

In 1900 a new issue began to appear from the shops of Waterlow and Sons of London. The values were issued as the old ones were used up, so that the 30 and 50c did not appear until 1901 and the 20c until 1902. As before, they were rouletted instead of perforated. The first issues had heavy shading beneath the label bearing the word "Chile", but in succeeding orders we find a retouching has taken place, so that there is scarcely any deepening of the lines to produce a shade effect. The "retouched" stamps began to appear in June, 1901, and comprised the 1, 2, 5 and 10c. The 30c never appeared in the first or "shaded" type, and the 20 and 50c were never retouched, so these values will serve as test stamps to distinguish the other four. Before this new issue arrived there was a shortage in 5c stamps, which was filled by the surcharge of the large numeral on the 30c stamps of 1899. This appeared December 28, 1900.

For some reason Chile soon returned to the American Bank Note Co. and another new issue was heralded by the appearance of a handsome 5c on October 21, 1901. The other values followed in 1902, the three higher ones having black vignettes of Columbus. There was no 20c this time, as the Waterlow 20c only appeared with the new 30 and 50c on July 18, 1902.

Exhaustion of the 10c stamps caused the remainder of the Waterlow 30c stamps to be used for surcharging down to this value in November, 1903. In May, 1904, came an avalanche of surcharges on the remainders of the telegraph stamps which had been abolished by decree of October 10, 1903. Waterlow & Sons had supplied telegraph stamps with the portrait of Pedro de Valdivia, the Spanish conqueror of Chile. Bradbury, Wilkinson & Co. had supplied them in the small arms type (reproducing the large stamps of 1883). Lastly, the American Bank Note Co. had copied the small arms type, but had modified the drawing of the supporter at the left of the arms, an animal of the deer tribe, peculiar to Chile and known as the *huemul*. In the Bradbury, Wilkinson stamps he has a mane and tail; in the American Bank Note he has neither. The surcharges were of the word "Correos" in a fancy frame for the unchanged values, and the word "centavos," also in frame, and large numerals in the lower corner for the stamps with changed values. The surcharges of the arms type were normally those of the American Bank Note Co. without "mane and tail," but a small quantity of the other type was surcharged as well, it is said surreptitiously. The 1p stamp was never engraved in the tailless variety. The 5c portrait stamp bearing the 3c surcharge of the 1p instead of the 12c surcharge is supposed to be an error.

On June 4, 1905, two values of a new series, the 3 and 5c, were issued. The rest of the set followed gradually, as the current stamps were used up, except that for some reason the 12c and 1p were withheld, only a few specimens leaking out to favored ones. Finally some interested parties conceived the idea of surcharging these two values for the Juan Fernandez Islands, where the Chilean penal settlement was located. It made no difference that there was no post office on the islands and that their mail was all handled at Valparaiso. One and a half million 12c stamps were, therefore, surcharged into 5c, 400.000 1p were surcharged 10c and the same number 20c, while 200.000 remained as 1p stamps simply receiving the name ISLAS DE JUAN FERNANDEZ. They were issued August 1, 1910, and made available for use throughout Chile.

The year 1910 being the centennial of the independence of Chile, a handsome pictorial set of fifteen values was issued on October 1st. A new permanent portrait gallery set was also in preparation and this was issued on September 1, 1911, the commemoration set being withdrawn on September 18th. This new set also comprised fifteen values. In 1912, however, the postal tariffs were increased and a number of new values were added in consequence, as well as exchanges in designs and colors of others. They began to appear about September, the 10c being followed by the 2, 4 and 8c, while the 14, 40 and 60c appeared in the spring of 1913.

In 1914 Chile installed a stamp factory of its own in Valparaiso, which had for part of its equipment a "Dujardin" machine for printing by the dry process from recess plates, similarly to the Stickney machine at our own Bureau in Washington. The 5 and 8c stamps appeared printed by this method in 1915 and with a perforation 13½x14½ instead of the 12 of the American Bank Note Co. But in the fall of 1915 the low values began to appear in what was at first chronicled as lithographed types, but which have finally been decided to be typographed. The higher values have since been appearing gradually in bicolored form as before but with the frames typographed and the vignettes engraved! It is said that the values 14, 25, 40 and 60c have been suppressed and the former 15c restored, due to further changes in the tariffs. The 4c has already been re-engraved. Of course, all these new stamps are readily distinguished by the new perforation as well as the new method of printing.—*N. E. Stamp Monthly.*

A FEW

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1915, 3h-35h, complete, Nos. 403-407 .18
1916, Dues, 1h, No. 670, mint ..... .02
1916, Dues, 15h on 2h, No. 671, mint .07
Austria-Turkey '83, 50sld No. 1013, mint .35
Austria-Crete 1903, 50c, No. 1154, mint .20
Bahamas 1906, 1d, No. 45 ..... .03
1911, 1d, No. 47, mint ..... .05
1918, 1d, **War Charity,** mint ..... .04
Barbadoes 1904, 2½d, No. 94 ..... .04
1912, 2½d, No. 120 ..... .04
Bavaria 1911, 30pf, No. 82 ..... .03
1911, 40pf, No. 83 ..... .02
1911, 50pf, No. 84 ..... .02
Belgium 1912, 5 franc, No. 102, post.used .90
1914, 5c, No. 702 ..... .02
1914, 10c, No. 703 ..... .02
1914, 25c, No. 704 ..... .06
1916, 10c, No. 716 ..... .02
Bermuda 1918, 1d **War,** No. 101, mint.. .05
Bosnia 1906, 1h-5k, Nos. 30 to 45, cplt. 1.00
1916, Special Delivery, 2 & 5h, Nos. 181 and 182 ..... .10
1914, **Charity,** 7h, No. 231 ..... .05
1914, **Charity,** 12h, No. 232 ..... .08
Brazil 1894, 500r, No. 120 ..... .02
1906, 300r, No. 180 ..... .03
1906, 500r, No. 181 ..... .03
1906, 700r, No. 182 ..... .07
1906, 1000r, No. 183 ..... .03
1906, 2000r, No. 184 ..... .06
1909, 200r, No. 188 ..... .01
British Central Africa 1903, 1d, No. 60 .04
1907, 1d, No. 70 ..... .04
British Honduras 1895, 1c, No. 44 ..... .03
Bulgaria 1902, 5s, No. 70, mint ..... .30
1902, 10s, No. 71, mint ..... .40
1902, 15s, No. 72, mint ..... .50
1913, 1s to 25s, Nos. 104, 105, 107-111, mint ..... .20
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1902, 6d, No. 69 ..... .04
1902, 1sh, No. 70 ..... .04
Cayman Islands 1907, 6d, No. 26 .... .30
Ceylon 1904, 15c, No. 184 ..... .03
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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Great—Well may our friends send us copies of the editorial section of the Sunday *Journal*, Minneapolis, Minn., of November 2nd, 1919, as the first page is devoted to an article, strikingly illustrated by a border of forty-eight stamps entitled, "Minneapolitan's Stamp Collection Tells World History Since Armistice." Mr. Howard S. Abbott is the collector who is so signally honored, and below his portrait is the explanation: "The stamp illustrations on the border of this page follow the history of new Europe since the war as told in the story. Start with the German stamp surcharged Belgium in the upper left-hand corner and read down and around the border, ending with the Belgian stamp showing Belgian occupation of the German Kameroons in West Africa." We cannot forbear to transplant a paragraph of the most interesting story that the enterprising newspaper has presented, as we like the reference to stamps as a sort of concentrated essence of history: "In Minneapolis, Howard S. Abbott, master of chancery, has perhaps the largest and most complete stamp history of the new Europe in the Northwest. Miles of book shelves would be required to house in printed word the story that Mr. Abbott's collection tells us in a few hundred variegated 'scraps of paper'. The sequel to the Great War; the birth of new nations; election of new rulers, maps of new territory acquired, the coming and going of armies—all this is told pictorially by the Minneapolis collection." This introductory remark is of the kind to whet the anticipation of the reader, and we are sure that a better conceived stamp story never had place in the press.

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Foreign—A correspondent asks if a letter cancellation of the kind employed in the British offices abroad, such as A10 and A11, which are the cancellations of Kingstown, Jamaica, and St. Vincent, were ever used on our early stamps in this country. "Is it possible that U. S. stamps could be used to mail letters from the British possessions in the '50's?" A student of cancellations on our stamps informs us that U. S. stamps were used to pay the postage in the fifties from some of the British colonies and other foreign countries by reason of this or that postal convention. There were all manner of postal contracts entered into by one country with another, and the fact of the existence of the foreign-cancelled United States stamps is not to be gainsaid.

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Shrewd—We try to suspend judgment on any development of philatelic enterprise that takes what seems to us a devious course or does not proceed along the charted channels. Too, we are interested in any novelty or departure in a philatelic sense; and so, we attend to the small advertisement from the Schenectady *Gazette* that has been forwarded to us by Mr. E. Harold Lane, Mt. Vision, New York:

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financial proposition but we hope that one of our trusty sleuths will tell us of the wheels within wheels of this moving plan. By-the-way, one Hanna, *yclept* Virgil of Indiana, caused a stir some time ago by his activity in promoting a stamp society whose ritual embodied a lot of secret work, that did not "eventuate," if we remember rightly.

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Kind—We cannot undertake to act this year as we have at times in the past, as a distributing agency for stamps that may be donated for deserving shutins who find some solace in stamp work; and this conclusion is reluctantly reached as the waves of work creep higher and higher. However, those of our readers who wish to dispense cheer can be accommodated, no doubt, through the cooperation of the WEEKLY. We are put in mind to say this by the following letter from Mr. Wm. H. Van Leydner, 1411 Hancock St., Chester, Pa.: "I have in my possession an International Postage Stamp Album, Junior Edition (1916), which I am willing to give to some needy child or young person, sick or crippled. It contains a few stamps, although nothing to speak of, but there may be others who would part with some of their duplicates. If you know of someone around this neighborhood or in Philadelphia, I will see to it that he or she will get some stamps and a year's subscription to the WEEKY, too."

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Dollar—Looking with sympathy on our recent struggles with the complex question of foreign exchange, Mr. Ernest Heberlein, Indianapolis, submits a table of values of the U. S. dollar abroad, as of October, 1919. We append: England, $1.15½; France, $1.61¼; Italy, $1.89¼; Germany, $5.62; Belgium, $1.61½; Spain, $1.00; Denmark, $1.22½; Norway, $1.14¾; Sweden, $1.08½; Japan, $.99½; Brazil, $1.25½, and Argentina, $1.00. We have had a number of letters telling of the vagaries of exchange, but it is evident that the question is righting itself. Stamps bought in Germany before the war at the old mark rate are coming through at the former price. The difficulties that have been referred to are now seen to have been those that naturally would take place pending an adjustment of the currency question under the circumstances.

PHILATELY IN ARGENTINA.
By H. F. SMITH.

By separate cover I am sending you a copy of *The Argentine Exchange* published in Buenos Aires. My number in the *Exchange* is 263 and as agent I would be obliged if you would give this publication a little notice in your valuable paper. At present we have 400 members and the number is increasing steadily.

As I have not seen mentioned in your publication the new issue of Argentine stamps I give you the following information:—

Scott's Nos. 231 to 239 and 241 to 243 are now issued on a poor quality of unwatermarked paper. The perforation remains the same as before, but in some sheets there is a watermark SERRA BOND in double line capitals, the watermark appearing only once in a sheet of one hundred stamps. Even this watermark seems now to be abandoned as the sheets are appearing without any.

Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

NEWFOUNDLAND MARTINSYDE AERIAL MAIL.

By HARRY E. HUBER.

In April last a small mail was placed aboard the Martinsyde machine, being to some extent a duplication of that in the Sopwith machine. For the most part, the 3c Caribou without any distinguishing overprint was used for this mail, though some letters bore stamps of other denominations. Across the face of the envelopes was written "First Trans-Atlantic Air Post" or words to similar effect.

In an attempt to get away on the heels of the Sopwith machine, May 18th, 1919, the machine took a nose dive, turned completely over, and wrecked herself. Capt. Raynham and Major Morgan, the aviators, were not injured, but on advice of his physician the latter returned to England by the steamer sailing May 24th, and Lt. Biddlecombe came out to take his place.

The Martinsyde was re-constructed, and a successful trial flight was made over St. John's on the 4th of July. On July 12th the mail bag was opened and 25 additional pieces of mail were included, being mostly from folk associated with the venture.

On this flight, Raynham had in mind to better the record of 16 hours and 12 minutes made by Alcock and Brown in the Vickers-Vimy machine. The machine left the ground at Quidi Vidi field at 3.30 p. m., July 17th, but after going 50 yards she plunged downward and wrecked herself.

After this second crash the aviators decided to make no further attempts at Trans-Atlantic flying in the Martinsyde machine, and Capt. Raynham sailed for England, taking the mail bag with him, on the str. Grampian, leaving St. John's at daybreak, July 21, 1919.

Recently there have been chronicled in the English press certain values of the Caribou series (1c, 2c, 3c, and 24c), the 3c stamped envelope, and the 2c Universal Postal Union post card, with a purple overprint reading—

1st Atlantic
Air Post
Martinsyde
Raynham
Morgan.

purporting to be an official issue for the Martinsyde mail. Further, that at least one cover bore the registration marks of the St. John's Post Office, in addition to the cancellation (by electric machine) showing the date May 17, 1919.

This overprint was never made by or with the approval of the Post Office Department of Newfoundland and no registered mail was included in the Martinsyde mail bag. The very nature of the overprint tends to discountenance official sanction.

The Martinsyde aerial mail as well as that carried by the Sopwith machine, was all machine-cancelled at the St. John's Post Office, and at the time of cancellation, the stamps on the letters bore no overprint. It would seem, therefore, that the rubber stamp was applied after the mail left the Post Office Department and therefore must be classed as non-official and without catalogue rank.

The only aerial stamps issued by and with the approval of the Post Office Department of Newfoundland were the 3c Caribou, overprinted "First Trans-Atlantic Air Post, April, 1919," and the 15c Cabot overprinted "Trans-Atlantic Air Post, ONE DOLLAR"—the former for the Sopwith, and the latter for the Vickers-Vimy and Handley Page mails.

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GENTLEMEN OF THE JURY

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In return for my endeavor to please him by sending a good-sized selection which included the best available copies of several of his wants he returned the stamps on July 11th by ordinary mail, unregistered, with 4c postage due, a check, and the following letter:—

"Your approvals are herewith returned with my check for 80c for two stamps bought. You submitted quite a few stamps which I did not call for in my want list, however, I regret that I was unable to make a substantial purchase from the lot because it contained many stamps which I would like to own. The stamps I would like to own are returned because your prices are too high.

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As this was my third unsuccessful attempt to please this fellow, I stopped the clock for an hour and answered him. Read my answer next week.

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MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS
Beverly, Mass. Portland, Me.

CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—We mentioned in a previous issue that the Bureau had taken out numbers for two new plates of 150 subjects each to be used for the 3c Die II endwise coil. We now learn that the Bureau never finished these plates, and as there is no further demand for the 3c coil we doubt if they ever will be finished, and consequently, the 3c endwise coil of Die II will probably never be issued.

It will be recalled that several plates of four hundred subjects each of the 1c stamp were made for use on the rotary press. When these plates were first designed we were under the impression that they were the forerunners of Post Office sheets of one hundred stamps printed from the rotary press. We are reliably informed that some of these plates have been finished and that some experimental sheets have been printed, but that they will not be issued. This information comes from the Bureau and it is quite possible that later on they may reverse their decision.

A short note was printed recently in the WEEKLY describing a 6c perf. 12 sidewise coil which has been examined by Mr. Power and passed upon by him as genuine. Your editor fails to agree with him and would state that at the time he wrote his detailed coil article for the *Gazette* he looked into the matter of the 6c coil very carefully and found that one coil was rolled on requisition of the New York Post Office and that it was later returned to Washington, due to the fact that the stamp firm that ordered the coil cancelled their order. It remained in the Washington Post Office for some months and was finally destroyed. The records of the Bureau, as well as the Post Office, show that but one coil was made and that one coil was destroyed, and consequently, no copy of this stamp can possibly exist. I have examined the cover in question and would state that it is about 1 mm. shorter in the north to south distance than any coil stamp of the issue in question that the writer can locate, although he compared the variety with dozens of stamps. He also finds that the top margin does not appear to have been cut by the Bureau knife.

A similar variety was found in Virginia some months back, and after the owner investigated and followed the stamp to its source it was found that sheets of one hundred stamps of the 6c value had been cut up by scissors in order that they might be run through the affixing machine. It is barely possible that this may be one of those varieties.

Since writing our notes in a recent issue regarding the 1c engraved perf. 11 vertically and imperf. horizontally, we have had the pleasure of acquiring the sheet in question and find that it is from the upper right hand pane of plate No. 7938. The stamp is in a dark shade of green and has the two margins intact.

Mr. John N. Luff calls our attention to the fact that the half sheet of part perf. 3c stamps which we recently described were, as mentioned by ourselves, type I, whereas the sheet found in Cleveland and distributed some months back was type II. We were under the impression at first that the entire lot, that is, those found in both Denver and Cleveland, were of the same type, but are pleased to have our attention called to the two varieties. Your editor never saw the Cleveland sheet but owned the Denver half sheet, and knows that it was type I.

We wish to express our appreciation of notes of interest from Messrs. Malcolm H. Ganser, Chas. H. Hermann, T. Russell Hungerford, Arthur W. Kade, and Burt C. Wear.

BOLIVIA.—Mr. H. F. Smith sends us the following note regarding certain stamps being circulated in some of the countries of South America, which are not authorized by the Bolivian government. The Official communication reads in part as follows: "The administration of Bolivia advised the General Post Office of Argentine that there has been discovered in circulation a series of stamps which are unauthorized and which are a fraud on the philatelic public. These stamps are being circulated between stamp collectors in Chile and Argentine and are advertised in certain magazines. The stamps are as follows: 1c green, showing the ruins of Tiahuana; 2c red, has a view of a church at the same place; 5c blue, same view as 1c; 10c violet, passage of Lake Titicaca; 1b blue, Railway of La Paz; 5b, Bolivian ensign."

The communication was printed in *La Epoca* of Buenos Aires under date of August 5th.

HUNGARY.—Messrs. Bright & Son chronicle the following stamps issued by French Military Authorities, ordinary Hungary stamps overprinted "Occupation Francaise" in red or blue in two lines:—

Harvester type, 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 10, 15, 20, 35, 40, 45 on 2, 50 on 3 filler; Parliament type, 50, 75, 80f, 1, 2, 3, 5, 10kr; Karl & Zita type, 10, 20, 25, 40f; Charity stamp, 10+2, 15+2, 40+2f; overprinted "Koztarsasag." 2, 4, 5, 6, 10, 20, 25, 40, 40, 50f; 1, 3, 10 on 1kr; express stamp, 2f; Newspaper stamp, 2f; Unpaids, 2, 10, 12, 15, 20f; Unpaids overprinted on 2d Newspaper stamp: 12 on 2, 15 on 2, 30 on 2, 50 on 2, 100 on 2f.

LIBERIA.—The Independent Stamp Co. informs us that they have a pair of Liberia 2c carmine rose and brown No. 410, one bearing the Official surcharge and the other without.

MONTSERRAT.—Mr. Charles Allan in *Hemming's Stamp News* supplies the following notes on the 1½d War issue:

On examining a pane of these stamps I found that there was a great deal of difference in the printing of the 1½d.

Taking the 1. Some taper from top to bottom, others have the appearance of leaning towards the left, others to the right and many nearly touch the top of the framework.

In the 6th row the 1st, 2nd and 7th stamp touches the outer line of frame, while on the ninth row the 1st and 4th touch the inner line of framework.

The small 1 of the ½ varies in thickness and at foot is broken. The eighth row 1st and 2nd stamp, ninth row 4th and 5th, bottom row 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 12th stamp tip touches framework at top.

In the 2 of ½. The following stamps touch framework at bottom. 1st Row. No. 2, 5, 6, 8 and 11. 2nd Row. No. 4 and 10. 3rd Row. No. 1, 7, 8 and 11. 4th Row. No. 4, 5, 6 and 12. 5th Row. No. 2, 4, 5 and 11. 6th Row. No. 10, 11 and 12. 7th Row. No. 8, 11 and 12. In the 9th and 10th none actually touch. Spacing between the 1 and ½ vary a great deal, also the —— have a great difference in length.

The d, bottom tip touches framework as follows: 1st Row, No. 6. 3rd, No. 3. 4th, No. 6. 5th, No. 6. 9th, No. 9. In the 9th Row No. 9 the top tip touches the framework only.

Stops vary in thickness, spacing between them vary, but none actually touch, the sixth stamp on the 1st Row stop touches outer frame. Broken stop. 2nd Row, No. 9. 4th Row, No. 3.

Coming to the "War Stamp" we have many badly formed letters, also taking a straight line from the extreme left hand stamp to the extreme right we find the "War Stamp" at various heights, the most outstanding being No. 118, the whole having dropped, and No. 117, 118, 119 have the appearance of leaning towards the left.

NEW ZEALAND.—A new issue is in contemplation, and the Agent-General for the Dominion is considering designs and consulting with stamp printers and others in London.—*Philatelic Record.*

NICARAGUA.—Mr. Edwin W. Fuss advises that he has received the following information from a correspondent in Managua regarding the 30 provisionals issued during a shortage of certain values. The letter reads as follows: "I have been informed officially that all surcharges have been retired from circulation. It is not allowed to use the old issues for postage. The Post Office officials, a few days ago, passed a resolution warning the public not to use the old stamps. No surcharges are obtainable now, the same old issue being on sale." Mr. Fuss adds that as some of the last provisionals were issued in limited quantities they will be very good. None are very common.

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This difference is quite consistent, and will be of great assistance in classifying the various settings of these most interesting stamps.—*Philatelic Record.*

SMYRNA *(Greek P. O.).*—Postage stamps continue to reflect the political consequences of the war's aftermath. According to the *Times* correspondent, information is to hand of an issue made by the Greek Authorities at Smyrna last June in anticipation of a mandate from the Paris Conference. On June 13, 1919, by order of the High Commissioner, the stamps used by the Greek Post Office in that city were impressed with the overprint E. T. SMYRNA (Heilenic Post Smyrna), in two lines of Greek capitals, and instructions were issued that no other stamps would be recognized. After twenty-four hours, however, in view of advices received from M. Venizelos, the Government at Athens decreed their immediate withdrawal.—*Stamp Collecting.*

VENEZUELA.—A Venezuelan correspondent of the *Madrid Filatélico*, Mr. Carlos Reyes Saldivia, sends a news cutting containing a copy of the decree concerning the issue of a new series of stamps. We translate this from our Spanish contemporary:—

Art. 1.—There shall be issued one million one hundred and ten thousand stamps for the recovery of the revenue and for the postage of correspondence circulating through the post offices of the Republic as per the classes, types, colours and quantities hereunder mentioned.

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50,000 of B.0.50 sepia.
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50,000 of B.3 violet.
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Art. 2.—The stamps of this issue shall be of the same size and with the same wording as fixed by the decrees of January 29, 1915, and August 24, 1917, and they shall be printed by the American Bank Note Company of New York, with the dies which were used for the issues ordered by these decrees.—*Stamp Collecting.*

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VARIETY.—Strictly speaking, this should apply to any deviation from a normal stamp, but it is very generally used in the sense of "specimen", i. e., "a rare variety", "a set of ten varieties", etc.

VASCO DA GAMA ISSUE.—A set of commemorative stamps issued in Portugal and many of its colonies in 1898 in celebration of the fourth centenary of Vasco da Gama's discovery of the route to India.

VATHY.—The capital of Samos, Turkey-in-Asia, at which France maintains a consular post office. For many years the stamps used there were overprinted with the name "Vathy".

VENEZOLANO.—The unit of value in Venezuela for a time. It had a value equivalent to the United States dollar.

VENEZUELA.—A tropical republic of South America. Postage stamps were first issued in 1859.

VEREENIGING TOT BESTRUDING DER TUBERCULOSE.—This inscription on the charity stamps of Netherlands, 1906, means "Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis" and indicates the purpose for whch the stamps were issued.

VERGE (French, "laid"). — Occasionally used in describing certain varieties of laid paper.

VERTRAG V. 6 APRIL, 1850.—An inscription shown on the early stamps of Baden and Wurtemberg meaning "Convention of April 6th, 1850". This has reference to a postal convention made between Austria and Prussia which certain German states, Baden and Wurtemberg among them, were invited to join.

VICTORIA.—I. The smallest state, after Tasmania, of the Australian Commonwealth. It issued its first postage stamps on January 5th, 1850.

II. A small town in Texas whose postmaster in 1861 issued special 5c and 10c stamps which remained in use until the appearance of the general series for the Confederate States.

VICTORIA DE TORREON. (Victory of Torreon).—An overprint applied to a few of the so-called "Transitoria" stamps of Mexico and issued in Juarez on April 4th, 1914, in celebration of Carranza's victory at Torreon two days previously.

VIGNETTE.—An engraved portrait in a stamp design set upon a shaded background.

VIRGIN ISLANDS.—A group of fifty West Indian islands, most of which belong to Great Britain. Postage stamps were first issued in 1866.

VISCAYA.—A province of Spain having an area of 849 square miles which, during the government of the revolutionary Assembly in 1868, caused all its stamps to be overprinted "Habilitado por la Nacion".

V. N.—An overprint found upon certain stamps of South Australia used during the period 1868-74 by the depart dealing with Vaccination. They were superseded in 1874 when the general "OS" issue was circulated.

VOLKSRUST.—A small village in Newcastle, Natal, at which Transvaal fiscal stamps overprinted "V. R. I." were used by the British troops occupying it in March, 1902.

VOM EMPFANGER ZAHLBAR.—An inscription or overprint shown on the postage due stamps of Bavaria. It means "to be paid by the recipient".

V. R.—I. These letters, signifying "Victoria Regina", appear in the upper angles of certain 1d black British stamps which were prepared for official use but were never issued for postal purposes.

II. A watermark shown in the 6d embossed stamps of Great Britain issued in 1864 and also in certain Army Telegraph stamps.

III. An overprint found on certain Transvaal stamps used during the first British occupation of that country in 1877 and, provisionally, at Rustenburg, during the war of 1900.

V. R. I. (Victoria Regina et Imperatrix.—Victoria, Queen and Empress).—An overprint applied to the then current stamps of the Transvaal and Orange Free State in 1900 on the occupation of those countries by British troops.

V. R. SPECIAL POST.—An overprint applied to certain Transvaal stamps issued by the British military authorities for use at Vryburg in May, 1900.

VRYBURG.—The capital of British Bechuanaland, having a population of about 5000. Special stamps were issued by the military authorities in May, 1900, on the British re-occupation of the town after it had been for some months in the hands of the Boers.

JAMAICA'S WAR COMMEMORATIVE.

The new 1½d stamp of Jamaica, commemorative of the departure of the first Jamaica Contingent of the British West Indies Regiment for the war, appeared on July 3, and, according to our Kingston (Jamaica) correspondent, has proved very unpopular in the island. The issue was advertised in the *Jamaica Gazette* to be officially put into circulation on the 4th, but through an error of the Post Office Department the stamp was put on sale a day before its official birth, and, although their sale was brisk, yet very few were used on that date through the mails, and it is now almost impossible to find a used specimen with the Postmark of July 3. "Retung" writes us on the matter as follows:—"When it was known that the issue of a commemorative stamp was contemplated by the Government, collectors, as well as the general public, hoped that something artistic would appear, but the result has proved disappointing. Much criticism of the design and workmanship has resulted, and, in view of the public antagonism to its use, one would not be surprised if the Government decided to discontinue the issue after the present stock has been exhausted, and it would be well for collectors to hold the specimens they have until they know just what the Government intends doing."—*Stamp Collecting.*

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The next (regular) meeting will be held on Tuesday evening, November 18, at 8 o'clock. There will be a competitive exhibition of the stamps of Newfoundland, for medals donated by Mr. Daniel F. Kelleher.

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—A. V. Dworak, publisher of *Philatelic Gossip*, through a printed circular informs the stamp public that due to severe illness in the family it has been a physical impossibility for him to attend to correspondence or work that has been sent him.

—Mr. McLain, manager of the Eastern Stamp Co., asks, "By the way, does the printer have trouble with my adv. copy?" We were glad to write Mr. McLain that his copy was in ideal shape and that we should be glad were all copy equally as plain.

—J. Fischer, 1539 No. Lawler St., Chicago, Ill., is selling Peru 1909 complete 9 vars. for 20c (instead of 1919, as given in Oct. 18-25 advts.).

—At the regular meeting of the Rutherford, N. J., Stamp Club, held Nov. 3, the secretary, F. L. Tilson, was instructed to ask the principals of the local school to announce that a junior branch of the club will be formed November 17. Dues will be 50c per year, and juniors who are interested should communicate with F. L. Tilson, Secretary.

—*W. M. W.*—We are unable to furnish any single copies in Volume I of the WEEKLY, nor do we know of any place where you can obtain them.

—A stamp club is about to be formed in Syracuse, N. Y. Many collectors reside there. If interested get in touch with A. Altas Leve or Frank Marquis, Box 386. Success to the movement.

Whisperings and Whimperings of a Philatelic Nut

Edited by COTTON C. DOYLE.

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Our Manhattan correspondent informs us that the Burger brothers were the innocent victims of a mean trick recently and although they are now laughing over it and passing out the cigars pretty freely as though it was a good joke on them, we understand they hope it won't happen again this year. One day they had a customer in the shop with whom they had previously done business only by mail. He was interested in some rarities they offered and in order to talk privately between themselves they conversed in a foreign language which very few people in America understand.

While they discussed the cost of the stamps and what they thought he might be willing to pay for them he kept his ears open and his mouth closed and when the senior partner of the firm named the price in such English as is commonly spoken in America, greatly to their consternation the customer answered in the foreign language they had been using. As it is better to leave some things to the imagination we will let the curtain drop here.

Query Dept.

John J. Jay, Detroit:—We do not agree with H. R. H. Luff regarding the 10c browns of 1879-81. Number 187 is supposed to be from a National plate (without secret mark) and Nos. 188 and 188a are from one or more Continental plates, (with secret mark). No. 188a is extremely rare unused and quite difficult to find used. The secret mark always shows plainly. Stamps showing the secret mark plainly also exist in a yellow brown quite as light as No. 187 but are not common.

We would divide all these 10c on soft paper into two groups; first, those showing the secret mark plainly; second, those showing it only faintly or not at all. We believe the stamps without the mark and those showing only traces of it were all printed from the same plate and we have yet to find evidence that this was the original National 10c plate.

The re-engraved 10c stamps, (Nos. 209, 209a and 209b), do not show the secret mark. The black brown shade is stated to have been the first printed,—following No. 188a—and the beautiful clearness of the blackish impressions indicates an early condition of the plate from which they were printed.

Instead of plating Sydney views and that sort of thing, which has been done a hundred times or so, why don't you do a little original research work on these 10c browns of your own country? Blazing your own trail is a little more work and a heap more fun than waddling along behind someone else and there is still much to learn about many alleged common stamps of these U. S. A. A 10c black brown of 1879-81 with year dated cancellation, or on cover, is rarer than a whole car-load of Sydney views. If you don't believe us, try to get one!

Notes and Gossip.

Ernie Jakleheimer, of the town that almost won the pennant, is bugs on cancellations. The woof is his favorite, especialy on the 3c '51. When he shows his 3c reds and the showee asks what that queer cancellation is, Ernie says, "that's a WOOF", and when the aforesaid showee innocently inquires what a woof is, Ernie chuckles and replies, "THAT'S a woof."

For the sake of the bank rolls of those of us who collect current Brit. Cols. in mint condition, we hope our cousins over the sea will accept Irv. Cobb's witty remark about Geo. the Fifth and Mary the other Four-Fifths as a joke and not as a hint, for we should regard an attempt to issue Queen Mary stamps until they outnumbered the present King's heads four to one to be a fearful calamity. When a witticism becomes a calamity it ceases to be a joke.

Educational Note.

Dr. Mitchell, known familiarly among his acquaintances who collect revenues as the "Kansas Cyclone", has been breezing around the metropolis. When he has cleaned up the rest of the world in search of U. S. revs. he intends to tackle Germany singlehanded and in preparation for the task is taking a course in commercial German from Gus Burger of the w.k. Nassau St. firm.

Philimerick Contest.

A Bolshevik dealer in Moscow,
Who answers whenever called Roscoe,
Says everything's fair
To get a stamp there;
This is terrible—is it not so?
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There was a fresh fellow named Doyle,
Who made many philatelists toil;
For his philimericks
And other stamp tricks,
Why not boil him in cotton seed oil?
H. C. B., N. Y.

Overheard.

By A D HESIVE.

Say, Hank, whatja doin'?

Reading the dictionary, Poole's "Philatelic Dictionary."

Readin' the dictionary? I didn't know anybody ever did that. Thought you only went to it when y'r wanted to find out how to pronounce a word or what it means. An' besides I never heard tell of any but Webster's Unabridged Dictionary.

Well, this is different from Webster's and a most surprising book, too. I just like to read it. It's as full of the unexpected and the unknown as a Jesse James. It's for stamp collectors, you know, not for ordinary knowledge getters. There are words and things in it I never heard of before. Here's a page, for instance, including Bamra and Ban. Now, first thing, what is Bamra? It is a native State of India which issued postage stamps from 1889 to 1894. Did you ever hear of it?

Never did.

Of course you didn't, and do you know what ban means?

Sure, that's what the government used to stop the flu and whiskey.

You're wrong, it's money, Roumanian money, by which the value of their stamps issued since 1868 are expressed.

Well, I'll be switched.

And now look on another page, here's Colon. I suppose you know the meaning of that, don't you?

Why, yes, near as I figure it's a punctuation mark, one dot above t'other.

Not in Philatelic lingo. Colon is the Spanish form for Columbus as shown on many of the stamps of Chili, and also is a unit of coinage in Costa Rica.

You don't say.

Yep, and here's colones, the plural for colon. Some have always thought that word on stamps stood for colonies, but t'aint so.

I should say not.

And here's Gab, Gabon and Gaboon.

Never heard tell of any of 'em 'cept gab, we hear lots of that 'round these parts.

Never did I, nor Garzon either, but they're all here. Now, let's turn towards the back and see what's new there. Here's S.O., meaning "stamp office" on stamps of Hong Kong; and Sol, meaning Peruvian money.

Always thought sol meant the sun.

No you're wrong again, and here's soldo, some Austrian-Italian money.

Well, that sure is some book.

I should say so. And do you know what "sower type" means?

Nay, nay Henry.

I reckon not. Outside of friend dictionary where will you find such fine bits of informaton?

I must say as one would observe in the nigger language, that "them is an awful knowledgeable book."

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CURRENT CHATTER.

By MACTAVISH.

The publisher having sent me a small bundle of current stamp papers, I was able to amuse myself for an hour or so reading the advertisements, and, candidly, I don't like the modern rubbish which so many small dealers are eager to unload on prospective customers. *Stamp Collecting* dated Sept. 6th contains advertisements offering sets of 6 Mosul I.E.F. "D"; various dealers, various prices, one dealer asks 7sh, another 9sh6d and others split the difference, while a week before a dealer in the same publication offered the set for 15sh! I don't know what the stamps are, or what they look like, but they seem to leave an unpleasant flavour.

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Another dealer, this time a well-known one, advertises a set of 3 Roumanians for 6d, doubtless they are worth the money, but I don't like the spirit that brackets another dealer's name, also in the Strand, as offering them at 8sh. There are no dealers who haven't made mistakes, so why rub it in.

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Another advertisement, and one that left a very unpleasant flavour, was of a Major Somebody advertising Occupation of Belgium stamps. As readers know, I am out of the stamp world, but it sets me thinking. I wonder how many English collectors will buy sets and gaze at them with pleasant recollections of those who died in Flanders. Besides, from whom were they purchased, and who gets the profits? I also do not like to see Majors advertising. By all means enter into competition with dealers, but for goodness' sake, drop the "Major." And that's that.

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Writing of titles reminds me that far too many men who hold temporary commissions are hanging on to the "Captain" or the "Major" for trade purposes. Any stamp paper I open contains an account of Captain This or Captain That, incidently, it is contrary to K.R. but I suppose many modern heroes of the R.A.S.C. and R.A.M.C. don't worry about that.

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Yet one more grouse, that is the number of foreigners in London who trade as stamp dealers. Some are well camouflaged, others retired, during the war, to the S. coast (well, Isle of Thanet), but the fact remains, they are doing a roaring trade in London. No, MacTavish doesn't often moralize, but I think there is a moral somewhere.

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Perhaps it is a touch of liver and the fear that the W.O. will demobilize me. Who knows?

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A much advertising London dealer says:—

"We buy for cash only, and Mr. — and Mr. — are willing to travel any reasonable distance (and do this regularly) to view any imported lots."

In the event of a Camberwell Green collector having something for sale, I suppose they take season tickets.

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If I were asked to classify current stamp publications, I should put them under two headings, "Respectable" and "Modern." But then, I am becoming old-fashioned.

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I know precious little about fiscal stamps. A. B. Kay is the chap who does, but looking thro' a collection the other day that contained some thousands, it struck me that quite a number which were issued contemporaneously at a 1d a line (that's a fine word) with postage stamps, would be useful for comparison and study. For instance, the perforation varieties of the early stamps of Finland, are very confusing to many collectors. The fiscal stamps of this period were perforated by the same machines and are much easier to classify owing to their large size. Varieties of paper, shades of colour, etc., could also be more easily studied.

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I wonder what the end of this dreadful orgy of stamp issuing will be; neither a shortage of tin pot authorities nor a paper famine will stop it. The only thing I can suggest is that every purchaser of £10's worth of new issues should be compelled to buy £1's worth of Great Britain's premier security in consols, which at the time of writing are quoted at a shade over 50. Old-fashioned collectors who feel tempted to speculate, if such an anomaly could exist, in a few sets of Mussels overprinted for use in Jago-Trentino, printed on the seventeenth issue of Baghdad, and again overprinted for use in Jumbo-Toshland, take note.

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August J. H. Roeber appears last in the New York directory for 1865-66. His address was 113 W. 52nd St. The following year Henry and William Roeber are listed at the same address and remained there until about 1870. From 1870 on Henry Roeber does not appear and from 1873-74 the business address was changed to 528 W. 50th St. Part of the time William Roeber lived just across 50th street from his factory. Robert Roeber—his son (?)—was associated with him for a short time about 1876.

Regarding the H. & W. Roeber stamp the Boston Book states:—

Die approved, April 2, 1866.
First issued, June, 1866.
Last issued, Aug., 1875.
210 stamps per sheet, (14x15).
21,971,490 issued on old paper.
29,163,360 issued on silk paper.

"Henry Roeber assigned all of his rights in this die, plate, etc., to Wm. Roeber on July 23, 1869."

From the above it is evident some of the stamps on old paper and all of those on silk paper were used by Wm. Roeber after Henry Roeber had withdrawn from the business. Among the old paper H. & W. Roeber stamps so used were those printed in ultramarine. The latter are quite scarce and were probably in use only a few weeks, if so long.

The design of the stamp is not particularly attractive, being too flat and lacking contrast. It is of the usual 1c size and shape bearing an upright pearled oval in the center on which appears a United States shield with "Union" above and "Match" below. The shield is crossed by a pair of hands clasped. At either side is the numeral "1" joined by semi-circular bands, the upper inscribed "U. S. Internal Rev." and the lower, "H. & W. Roeber". "One Cent" is in a straight panel at the top and "New York" similar at the bottom. In spite of the large quantity issued really fine copies on the old paper are not easy to find.

William Roeber.

This stamp was altered from the H. & W. Roeber die by changing the name to William Roeber and the address in the bottom marginal label to "528 W. 50 St. N. Y." Mr. Roeber conducted the business there until his factory was taken over by the Diamond Match Co. in 1881. He became a dealer in matches, cigar lights, tooth picks, match machinery, peddler's supplies, etc., at 29 Madison St. and 33 New Bowery for a few years and from 1885 until 1896 was in the coal business at 557 W. 55th St. His match business averaged about 17 million boxes per year for the period the William Roeber stamp was in use.

The Boston Book states:—

Die approved, Oct. 16, 1875.
First issued, Oct., 1875.
Last issued, Mar. 2, 1883.
16,410,600 issued on silk paper.
112,524,963 issued on pink & wmkd. paper.

All the silk and pink paper stamps and some of those on watermarked paper were printed by the National Bank Note Co. It is also certain there were extensive printings by the Bureau on wmkd paper and no doubt the American Bank Note Co. printed many millions too. Probably twelve or more plates were required in all and some of the Bureau impressions are most certainly from new plates made at Washington.

The stamp is cataloged in ultramarine but does not exist in the true ultramarine. Pale and light blues and stamps printed from worn plates are not uncommon but the true ultramarines have a tinge of violet and were printed only on old paper for a short time in 1869—six years before the William Roeber plate was put to press.

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1912
*5c on 4c, No. 33 .03
10c on 40c, No. 38 .06
10c on 50c, No. 39 .09
1915 Red Cross
*10c+5c, No. 201 .07

FRENCH GUIANA.

1892
1fr, No. 44 .... .12
1905
15c, No. 56 .... .05
30c, No. 59 .... .07
50c, No. 63 .... .15
75c, No. 64 .... .21
1fr, No. 65 .... .14
2fr, No. 66 .... .33
1912
*5c on 2c, No. 68 .06
*5c on 4c, No. 69 .03
*5c on 20c, No. 70 .03
*5c on 30c, No. 72 .06
*10c on 40c, No. 73 .08
1915 Red Cross
*10c+5c, No. 202 .06

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1904
1c, No. 18 .... .04
2c, No. 19 .... .06
5c, No. 21 .... .20
1912
5c on 4c, No. 49 .03
*5c on 15c, No. 50 .03
10c on 40c, No. 53 .10
*5c on 20c, No. 58 .06
*5c on 25c, No. 59 .06
5c on 30c, No. 60 .10
10c on 40c, No. 61 .07
1913-17
*20c, No. 68 .... .06
*25c, No. 69 .... .07
*30c, No. 70 .... .09
*35c, No. 71 .... .10
*15c, No. 79 .... .04
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5c, No. 101 .... .04
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5c, No. 2400 ... .06
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1902
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1913-15
*20c, No. 26.... .06
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1904-11
2c, No. 17 .... .03
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GRAND COMORO.

1897
1c, No. 1 ..... .03
2c, No. 2 ..... .03
1912
10c on 40c, No. 26 .06
10c on 45c, No. 27 .06
10c on 50c, No. 28 .06
10c on 75c, No. 29 .09

GUADELOUPE.

1892-1911
15c, No. 32 .... .03
15c, No. 41 .... .06
5c, No. 44 ..... .10
1912
*5c on 30c, No. 72 .04
1905 Postage Due
*15c, No. 217 ... .05
*20c, No. 218 ... .07
*30c, No. 219 ... .08

INDO CHINA.

1892-1900
1c, No. 3 ..... .03
5c, No. 6 ..... .03
15c, No. 8 .... .02
25c, No. 10 .... .05
5c, No. 17 ..... .10
10c, No. 18 .... .35
15c, No. 19 .... .12
1912
*5c on 30c, No. 61 .04
*10c on 40c, No. 62 .07
1908 Postage Due
5c, No. 207 .... .02
10c, No. 208.... .03
20c, No. 210.... .07
50c, No. 213.... .13

IVORY COAST.

1912
5c on 15c, No. 37 .03
*5c on 30c, No. 38 .04
10c on 40c, No. 39 .06
10c on 50c, No. 40 .11
10c on 75c, No. 41 .30
1917
*15, No. 58 .... .04
1915 Red Cross
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*10c, No. 19 .... .05
*30c, No. 23 .... .08
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*25c on 25c, No.27 .06
1908
*22½c, No. 44 .. .15
Postage Due
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1892
*10c, No. 23.... .05
*12½c, No. 24 .. .35
*15c, No. 25 .... .08
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1902-6
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20c, No. 49 .... .08
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1gld, No. 55 .. .10
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CHAPTER XVIII.

The Issues of 1913-18.

The permanent Republican issue of stamps, in preparation by Messrs. Waterlow & Sons of London, was finally announced in a Post Office circular dated May 31, 1913. There were to be nineteen values in three different designs, the ½, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 10 cent showing a Chinese junk in the foreground, in full sail upon the "Hoang-ho" or Yellow River, with the bridge of the Tientsin-Pukow railroad near Tsinanfu, over which a train is passing, in the distance. This bridge was formally opened for traffic on December 1, 1912, and established rail communication for the first

time between Shanghai and the capitals of Europe. It also reduced the time for the passage of mail between Peking and Shanghai to within 38 hours.

The second design, for the 15, 16, 20, 30 and 50 cent stamps, shows a coolie reaping grain in the grounds of the Temple of Agriculture, with the Altar of the Moon, already described in the chapter on the Commemorative issue of 1909, showing in the distance.

On the 1, 2, 5 and 10 dollar values is shown the entrance archway to the Temple of Confucius, in the northeast corner of the Tartar City of Peking. This imposing structure of three graceful arches is constructed of enamelled brick and is a brilliant object under the bright sun. The Chinese inscription on the whole series is *Chung-hua Min-kuo Yu-chêng* or "Chinese Republic Postal Service," the English inscription being "Republic of China Postage."

The stamps are finely engraved on copper and the cent values are printed in sheets of 200, in two rows of four panes, each pane of 25 stamps in five rows of five. The dollar values come in sheets of fifty, however, five rows of ten stamps each. The paper is stout white wove, unwatermarked, and the perforation is 14 to 15.

The different values were issued as the supply of the surcharged stamps became exhausted. The 5 dollar stamp seems to have been the first one to appear at Tientsin on July 21st, while the 1 cent soon followed and the 3 cent appeared in August. The new denominations of 6, 8 and 15 cents and 10 dollars were also available in August, and by October the full set of nineteen values was in use.

At this time the following notice demonetizing all Empire stamps was published:—

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Peking, 1st October, 1913.
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Notification No. 56.

Withdrawal of old issues of Postage stamps.

The Public are hereby notified that all denominations of unsurcharged stamps and post cards of the late Ch'ing Dynasty, including the Hsüan T'ung Commemoration Issue (Temple of Heaven design) will cease to be valid for the franking of mail matter on and after the 1st of April, 1914. Such stamps may be exchanged for stamps of the current issue at all Chinese Postal Establishments up to the above mentioned date.

(Signed) T. PIRY,
Postmaster-General.

The reference list of the permanent Republican issue is as follows:—

Engraved by Messrs. Waterlow & Sons.
July—October, 1913. Perf. 14 and 15. Unwatermarked.

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1 dollar, yellow brown, center black.
2 dollars, deep blue, center black.
5 dollars, carmine, center black.
10 dollars, green, center black.

About the first of October, 1914, the 1 cent stamps began to appear in solid sheets of 200 instead of being divided into panes of 25. These new sheets were of ten horizontal rows of twenty stamps each, and had a vertical guide line between the tenth and eleventh stamps down through the sheet for facilitating their division into panes of 100 copies, ten by ten. Two marginal imprints above the fifth and sixth and fifteenth and sixteenth stamps of the top row, and two more beneath the corresponding stamps of the bottom row, showed that the new sheets were from the "Chinese Bureau of Engraving and Printing," of which we have already given the story of the establishment in Chapter XVII. The imprints are in white letters on a colored strip about 1 millimeter in width and 46 millimeters long, with a hair line bordering it all around at a distance of a quarter millimeter. The inscription is followed by a number denoting the plate. It is surmised that sheets of 400, in 20 rows of 20, have since been printed, as stamps showing guide lines at top or bottom have been seen in the lower values through the 5 cent.

The ink of the new stamps at first showed the same glossy appearance as that used for the Commemorative stamps of the issues of 1912. The paper of the 1 cent as first issued was of a thicker and more opaque quality than that used for the Waterlow stamps, and the 3 cent also appeared upon the same paper. But all the other values, as well as these two later on, were printed on a rather thin unwatermarked wove paper through which the design could be seen fairly well. The perforation is 14.

The stamps were issued as supplies of the Waterlow printings ran out of stock, so that the whole series in the Peking printing was not in use until March, 1915. The engravers at the Chinese Bureau of Engraving and Printing were quite successful in copying the designs of Messrs. Waterlow and Sons, and though there are certain small differences in each value it is hard to describe or illustrate a general test for the series. There are some differences in shade between the colors of the respective series as well, but these are likewise mostly difficult to describe. The best test is something that can be told at a glance or at least without too much study, and we believe that the following points of difference between the two engravings are the best that can be employed for distinguishing them quickly and easily without the aid of a glass. Others have been given but require closer examination.

Junk Type. 1st. The shading like a fringe beneath the two corner ovals and the curved panel containing the Chinese inscription at the top of the stamp. In the Peking prints this is heavy and apparently composed of coarser lines than in the London prints, especially just over the junk, where the lines of the London shading seem to be thinner than at either side. When once the difference in appearance of this shading is noted it makes a fairly quick test between the two, the "heavy" shading of the Peking stamps being readily caught by the eye.

2nd. The white wave crest just at the right and below the bow of the junk. In the London print this is not particularly conspicuous, but in the Peking print it is much more so and has a white "finger" or prong pointing upward toward the junk.

Reaper Type. 1st. The shadow of the coolie's right leg. In the London print this shadow touches the left foot in passing. In the Peking print this shadow is separated from the left foot by a white line.

2nd. The second character from the left in the Chinese inscription at the top of the stamp. In the London print this practically touches the panel frame line above it. In the Peking print the separation is readily apparent.

Temple Type. 1st. There is an oblong white tablet in the tower above the central arch in the vignette. In the London print this stands out quite conspicuously. In the Peking print it is narrower and much less noticeable.

2nd. Just beneath the right end character of the Chinese inscription is a foliation of the acanthus scroll. In the London print this is joined to the solid color forming the curved end of the inscription tablet. In the Peking print there is a distinct break beneath the character and a heavy line curves up from the middle foliation of the scroll toward the character like a prong.

Early in 1917 a very clever forgery of the 50 cent stamp was discovered through the falling off in the sale of this denomination at the Shanghai post office. The Chinese authorities became suspicious and made an investigation which resulted in finding that hundreds of parcels of silk, franked with forged 50 cent stamps, had been sent to Canton. While almost identical in design and color with the genuine stamp, collectors may easily recognize the forgery by the perforation, which is 16, the genuine being 14. Slight differences are also noticeable in the engraving, the shoes of the reaper not being as heavily engraved as in the genuine, the right knee touching the left leg, and the second character from the left in the Chinese inscription showing marked differences from its proper shape.

The reference list of the re-engraved Republican issue is as follows:—

Engraved by the Chinese Bureau of Engraving and Printing. October, 1914—March, 1915. Perf. 14. Unwatermarked.

½ cent, black brown.
1 cent, brownish buff.
Bisected and used for ½c.
2 cents, deep yellow green.
3 cents, slate green.
4 cents, carmine.
5 cents, lilac.
6 cents, slate.
7 cents, blue violet.
8 cents, orange red.
10 cents, dark blue.
15 cents, dark brown.
16 cents, olive green.
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Inverted center.
5 dollars, carmine, center black.
10 dollars, green, center black.

The 1 cent stamp bisected was used on March 9, 1916, at the Wuang Chow Post Office in Kuang-Si Province, during a temporary shortage of ½ cent stamps. The 2 dollars inverted center was found early in 1916 and it is believed that but one sheet of fifty is known.

All previous Republican surcharges were declared invalid for postage from September 1, 1914.

On September 1, 1914, China finally joined the Universal Postal Union, a step that had been contemplated ever since the organization of the Imperial Post in 1896 but not undertaken, partly because it was thought best to get the National Postal System into thoroughly competent working order first, and partly, perhaps, because the special postal conventions with Japan, England, France, Germany and the United States had practically made China a member, as her stamps were recognized and her mail matter exchanged with those countries under Postal Union rates and conditions. From the same date also China became a party to the Parcel Post Convention and the following offices began to operate as Exchange Offices for Postal Union Mails:—Moukden, Tientsin, Shanghai and Canton.

In January, 1918, an addition was made to the current set of a 20 dollar stamp in the design of its companion dollar values. Though available for postage and perhaps occasionally so used, the stamp was particularly for use on money orders or "Remittance Certificates", as the Chinese Post Office calls them.

Engraved by the Chinese Bureau of Engraving and Printing. January, 1918. Perf. 14. Unwatermarked.
20 dollars, yellow, center black.

Two new stamps are in prospect, but so far have not been issued. The following circular explains:—

CHINESE POST OFFICE
NOTIFICATION No. 391

Withdrawal of the 7 and 15-cent Denominations of Postage Stamps and Introduction of 1½ and 13-cent Denominations.

1.—The Public are hereby notified that, with the exhaustion of the present stock of 7 and 15-cent denominations of postage stamps, no further stamps of these values will be printed.

2.—Two new denominations of postage stamps—viz., 1½-cent, of the same design and color as the 7-cent, and 13-cent, of the same design and color as the 15-cent, are being introduced instead, and will be put on sale in the near future. The 1½-cent stamp is intended as domestic postage for picture postcards, newspapers, etc., and the 13-cent for express letters.

By order of the Co-Director-General.
W. W. RITCHIE,
Postal Commissioner.

Chinese Post Office, Shanghai.
4 March, 1919.

Inquiry of the Administration brought the answer that the stamps "would be issued in the autumn," so it is probably safe to make an advance listing of them at this time.

Engraved by the Chinese Bureau of Engraving and Printing. Autumn of 1919. Perf. 14. Unwatermarked.
1½ cents, blue violet.
13 cents, dark brown.

With regard to postmarks used with this issue, the small sized one introduced about 1899 and illustrated in Chapter X is still employed to some extent; but the small one wholly in Chinese, illustrated in Chapter XI, seems to have fallen largely into disuse. The postmark illustrated in Chapter XV is the one generally found on this issue, only the name in English is usually in a straight line. Another postmark of the same style but all in Chinese is also used, the upper portion containing the name of the Province in Chinese characters.

It may be interesting to note that the proposed restoration of the Monarchy, with President Yüan Shih-Kai as Emperor, which was planned for the early part of 1916 and prevented by a new revolution in South China, was heralded by the appearance of the new "reign name" on many of the postmarks as "Hung Hsien, First Year," etc. This was employed from January 1, 1916, to about the end of March, when the restoration was abandoned, or about eighty days in all.

Again, when the attempt was made to reseat the former Emperor on the throne and overthrow the Republic in the summer of 1917, the Peking postmark at least appeared with the new "reign name" as *Ta Ch'ing Ti Kuo* or "Great Pure Ruler's State," only a modified form of the old name for the Empire. This was only in use for six days, however, July 7-12 inclusive, when the new attempt was frustrated and the new postmark disappeared with it.

On the occasion of the inauguration of the new President of China on October 10, 1918, a special postmark was used in Peking. "This was oval in shape, with five horizontal lines on two sides enclosing a small circle, Chinese inscriptions figuring in the latter and in the oval itself. The central inscription in the oval signifies 'Commemoration of the accession of President Hsu Shih- inscriptions refer to the name of the post office."

(To be continued.)

CANADA VICTORY LOAN CANC.

By Frank S. Thompson.

Cancellations advertising the 1919 Victory Loan are now appearing from all over Canada. Six different wordings are in use, some cities using two and three wordings. Following is the list to Nov. 1st. "Buy Victory Bonds—All Canada is Your Security," Medicine Hat, Nelson, New Westminster, Peterboro, Prince Albert, Regina, Sornia, Toronto, Winnipeg; "Buy Victory Bonds—Every Dollar Spent in Canada," Edmonton, Port Arthur, Winnipeg; "Victory Loan 1919—The Bridge from War to Peace," Brandon, Calgory, Halifax, Moose Jaw, Toronto, Winnipeg, Woodstock; "Let us not Demobilize Patriotism—Buy Victory Bonds," Fort William, Fredericton, Lethbridge, London, Montreal, Ottawa, Portage la Prairie, Saskatoon, Saulte St. Marie, Victoria; "Keep our Farms and Factories Busy—Buy Victory Bonds," Strathcona Sta., Edmonton, Toronto, Vancouver; "Souscrivons a l'empount la Victoire 1919" (Subscribe to the Victory Loan 1919) Montreal only.

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A PHILATELIC DICTIONARY.

By BERTRAM W. H. POOLE.

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W.

W.—I. An overprint found on certain South Australian stamps used between 1868 and 1874 on the correspondence of the department having charge of the Waterworks. These special stamps were superseded in 1874 by the general official set with "O.S." overprint.

II. A watermark shown in the Luxemburg stamps of 1852. It signifies "William," referring to William III, the then reigning Grand-duke.

W. A.—I. A watermark shown in many of the stamps of Western Australia in conjunction with a crown.

II. These letters are found punctured through certain Western Australia stamps which were used for official purposes.

WADHWAN.—A small state in Kathiawar, India. Postage stamps were first issued in 1888 and although they became obsolete only a few years ago one solitary label sufficed for the postal needs of the state.

WAR.—I. The inscription shown on the United States stamps issued in 1873 for the special use of the War Department.

II. An overprint shown on certain stamps of British Honduras issued for War Tax purposes.

WAR STAMP.—An overprint found on certain stamps of Antigua, Jamaica, Fiji, etc., indicating a special tax on letters and parcels applied as a war measure.

WAR TAX.—An overprint applied to the stamps of Grenada, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, etc., to indicate a special tax levied on letters and parcels in raising war revenue.

II. Special adhesive stamps issued in Spain for the collection of a transitory tax levied on letters and stamped documents. Strictly speaking they are not postage stamps at all but as some of the higher values, intended for use on certain documents, were allowed to be used on letters in payment of the tax and postage they are generally considered collectible varieties.

WATER COLOR.—Some of the weird and wonderful labels which did duty as postage stamps in the Indian state of Jammu and Kashmir were printed in water colors.

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WATERLOW PAPER.—A term applied principally to a thick, soft paper, watermarked with double-lined "N.Z" and star, supplied by Messrs. Waterlow and Sons for some of the New Zealand stamps.

WATERMARK. — (Abbreviation, Wmk.). A device or pattern in the substance of paper, produced during the process of manufacture. In connection with stamps the watermark is usually a small device, so repeated in the sheets of paper that one copy of it may appear in each stamp when printed. In some cases the watermarked device is large and covers several stamps or it may only show on certain stamps in a sheet. In other cases the watermarks are arranged close together in the paper, so that it may be equally suitable for stamps of various sizes, this being usually described as multiple watermark. Where these various designs appear the paper is slightly thinner and, therefore, more transparent, so that if the stamps are held to the light the watermarked devices may be seen with more or less clearness.

WATERMARK BITS.—The designs in metal which are attached to the frame or dandy-roll for producing watermarks in the paper.

WATERMARK DETECTOR.—A philatelic accessory for aiding in the detection of watermarks. (See "Benzine Cup".)

WAVY LINES.—A watermarked device shown in the stamps of Bavaria, Russia, etc.

WE HOLD A VASTER EMPIRE THAN HAS BEEN.—The proud motto shown upon the 2c "map" stamps issued in Canada in 1899 to commemorate the introduction of penny postage for the British Empire.

WELL-CENTERED. — A philatelic term applied to stamps having an even amount of margin on all sides.

WENDEN.—A district of the province of Livonia, Russia, which has issued its own stamps, usually of the value of 2 kopecs, since 1863.

WENDENSCHE KREIS.—An inscription shown on most of the stamps of Wenden meaning "District of Wenden". The second word is sometimes shown as "Kreises".

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.—A British colony embracing the western third of the continent of Australia. Postage stamps were first issued on August 1st, 1854.

WHARTON'S POST.—A semi-official postal service organised in Louisville in 1857. The official service ceased with the arrival of the letters at Louisville but by payment of a small extra fee (1c) letters were delivered within the district served by this semi-private post.

WHITE BACKS.—A term very generally used in connection with certain British colonial stamps printed on surface-colored paper.

WIENER, C.—A Brussels engraver who engraved the die for the 1866-7 stamps of Portugal. His initials, "C. W.", are shown in tiny letters below the bust on each of the stamps of this series.

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Austria, Spl. Dely., Nos. 351-2-3-4 and **Germ. Austria** Spl. Dely. Nos. 61-2 .12
***Cracow Issue of Poland** to 1k, 8 var. .55
***Wurtemberg** 1916, Nos. 261-67 cpl. ... .75
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1909, 2 on 5 (110) .03; 1914, 5 on 6 (138)	.03
1909, 3 on 3 (112) .03; 1914, 10 on 12 (139)	.03
1909, 6 on 4 (113) .03; 114, 15 on 28 (140)	.04
1909, 12 on 8 (116) .03; 1917, 2s (144)..	.02
1910, 2s (119) .02; 1917, 5s (146)	.03
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NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—We have been favored with a set of photographs of the Hawker, Vickers-Vimy and Handley-Page Trans-Atlantic aerial mail covers. The courtesy is extended by M. P. Hynes, a longtime reader of the WEEKLY.

—*O. R. H.*—We do not know of any place where you can procure a 1919 Scott's catalog. The 1920 edition will be issued late in the spring.

—Frank F. Wills informs us that in a railway wreck which took place at Manuels, Newfoundland, on October 31, Canadian and American inward letter mail for St. Johns and vicinity (leaving North Sydney on the night of October 28) was destroyed by fire.

—In the Minneapolis *Sunday Journal* of Nov. 2, there appeared a full page feature of great interest to stamp collectors. There was a five-column article with picture of Howard S. Abbott, the well-known collector of that city. The article in question was written by Jefferson Jones of the *Journal* staff and it is entitled "Minneapolitan's Stamp Collection Tells World History Since Armistice". He bases his article on stamps contained in Mr. Abbott's collection and the story is surrounded by a border picturing fifty stamps of New Europe. The feature is a powerful boost for stamp collecting and is a token of the hold philately has upon the Twin Cities.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from Jack Printz, Edw. Trotter Price, Arthur B. Moss.

—C. Lat. Wilhelm, longtime editor of the stamp column in the Baltimore *Sunday American,* is now featuring this matter in the Baltimore *Star,* of which he is State and Features Editor. Mr. Wilhelm is certainly putting Baltimore on the map from a philatelic standpoint. It is interesting to note that this city is soon to have a new stamp firm in the Hamill-Curtis Stamp Co., with office at 2713 St. Paul St.

—Victor M. Berthold has shown us a new die of the circular 1c green U. S. on amber envelope. Mr. Berthold describes the die as follows:—

—"We have found a new 1c circular die which I take pleasure to attach hereto. The most noticeable difference from either Die A or B are: U tall and close to figure 1. Large open D far from E. Wide space between 'S' and 'P'. N tall, broad and far from 'T' at top. Nose and chin pointed. Back of bust opposite figure 1 has a decided curve. Shows cravat in addition to collar line. The entire face and especially the hair is different."

—R. M. Osborne has sent us a write-up of the Brooklyn Stamp Club, one of the live philatelic organizations of today. At present the club meets at the corner of Howard Av. and Hancock St. every Wednesday evening, with business meetings the second and fourth weeks of the month. Quite recently the Brooklyn Philatelic Exchange Society consolidated with the Brooklyn Stamp Society and the Brooklyn Stamp Club was the result. Collectors in Brooklyn and vicinity are cordially invited to attend the meetings.

—An interesting piece of news reaches us. Wm. C. Stone, twenty-five years ago editor of the *American Philatelist,* is to resume his editorial duties upon that publication. Mr. Stone has both the ability and experience to make a strong publication out of the *American Philatelist* and we extend him our congratulations and good wishes.

—The Portland (Me.) Philatelic Society now meets every Friday evening at their new room number 33 Farrington Block, 439 Congress St., just off Monument Square. The meetings are strictly informal and generally include a contest with philatelic flavor, an auction and a bourse. Collectors living in or near Portland are especially urged to get acquainted, and a cordial invitation is extended to all visiting philatelists who happen to be in town Friday evenings to drop around.—D. D. SWEETSER.

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Up—We have raised the subscription price of the WEEKLY from fifty cents to one dollar a year. This step was taken reluctantly enough but it could not be avoided. Now that the advance has been decided upon, an explanation will be of some interest to those who attend to the intimate details of our business. Until recently, we rather gloried in the fact that notwithstanding that an increase in subscription rate was demanded logically by conditions that have been unfolding to our detriment, we held to the old quotation of fifty cents a year. In the face of advancing labor and paper markets, the idea of retaining the old price now seems Quixotic but we hoped that we could go along until some sort of readjustment lessened the pressure and vindicated our steadfastness. The hope proves illusory and we submit to the inevitable and will henceforth charge about two cents a copy for our paper instead of one cent. Advertisers alone must not be depended upon to relieve our burden and from the tenor of the answers to a recent questionnaire that was submitted to readers, it is gathered that subscribers generally will accept, if not advise, the higher price. We intend to run a twelve-page paper much of the time during the season but dare not make an announcement that the size is adopted regularly because of the restrictions still surrounding the use of paper. The supply of paper stock is inadequate for present-day needs. In a general way, we have been asked to co-operate with other publishers to conserve the supply of paper. The changes in our business have been material ones and the pre-war days are but a memory, as their like will never be seen again, in all probability. We are determined, however, that coincidental with the enforcement of the new rate, improvements will be made in the WEEKLY which, as the weeks go by, will become apparent to the most unconcerned of readers.

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Echo—A bit of comment follows in the wake of the editorial paragraph, "Inspired," in the issue of October 25th, 1919; and a reader says that he thinks that a good newspaper story may be made out of our claim that philately as an agency of alleviation is doing more for stricken Europe than the outside world is aware of. Through the sale of stamps to collectors, the needy countries are getting real money without production, practically speaking. Occasionally, we are asked if we object to the use elsewhere of matter that appears in our columns. We do not, but expect, naturally, that credit be given us for anything taken. In the past, we have said something about the impropriety of not giving the WEEKLY credit as a source of information when its pages are drawn upon; but when acknowledgment is made to the WEEKLY, all is well.

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devoted considerable time to these stamps; and since I have become a dealer, I have given up all my collections except that of British Colonial revenue stamps. For beauty, they cannot be beaten and the student of minor varieties may find a field that is practically limitless. Not a few of the early issues are almost unattainable and rank among the world's rarities. The 1857 issue of Ceylon could be cited and some of the early New Zealand and many others. You perhaps know other collectors of these stamps and a short article in the paper by one of them would do much to create an interest in this inviting side-line." An explanation to account for the indifference shown generally towards foreign revenue stamps could not be made in a few words. Every now and then, there is a spurt of interest shown in foreign revenues and the adherents of the "lost cause" become hopeful that their favorites will come into their own but expectations are never fully met and the stamps seem destined to be wall-flowers at the philatelic dance. At one of these periodical revivals, so bright did the future seem for foreign revenue stamps that we instituted a department of fiscal stamps in our paper and the brilliant J. P. Burgoyne and the able A. Preston Pearce supplied our readers with the choicest information regarding the issues, but the interest in them did not prove to be progressive; and in time they almost sank beneath the surface of our columns. Our guess is that foreign revenues lack personality when compared with postage stamps; they have not the international flavor that postage stamps have nor directly do they represent so intimate and human an enterprise as the postage stamps do. Fiscal charges are not so pleasant to pay as postage. For all that, one might think that the revenue stamps would have a large following because of their admitted beauty, generally speaking, even though we are well aware that scattered throughout the country there are partizans of the stamps. We do not ignore foreign revenue stamps and an occasional article by Mr. Heydon, Mr. Thompson, *et al.* is published in the WEEKLY.

THE DEATH OF GEORGE J. CARTER.

The news of the death of George J. Carter was received with deep regret by his many friends in the printing industry and the printers' supply field, throughout which he had an extensive acquaintance. He was the founder of the New York Printers' Supply Salesmen's Guild, having called the first meeting of the salesmen at his home, and was the first president of the organization.

Mr. Carter was born in London, England, December 21, 1864, and had made his residence in New York for the past thirty-two years. He passed away at his home in Brooklyn on September 21. The funeral services, held on September 23, were conducted by Hyatt Lodge, No. 205, F. and A. M., of which Mr. Carter was a member, and were attended by a large number of members of the printing fraternity. Mr. Carter is survived by his widow, one son and two daughters.—*Inland Printer.*

AMERICAN MATCH CO., CLEVELAND, O.

By CHRISTOPHER WEST.

1c—Black—3c.

This firm first appears in the Cleveland directory for 1869-70. The members were Wm. H. Newton, Edward H. Harger, Lamoyle Taylor and Enoch G. Selby and the address 24 Fifth St. The directory for 1870-71 gives the same except that Taylor is not mentioned at all. In 1871-72 Selby is president, Newton is secretary and treasurer and Harger is vice-pres. In 1872-73 R. H. Geary, H. H. Newton and E. H. Harger are listed as the proprietors of the American Match Co. In 1876 the firm consisted of R. H. Geary, Pres., W. H. Newton, secretary and treasurer, and E. H. Harger. The firm does not appear after 1876 and in 1877-78 Geary is listed as a paper box manufacturer, Newton is an assistant civil engineer and Harger does not appear at all.

Regarding the 1c stamp the Boston Book states:—

Die approved, June 24, 1869.
First issued, August, 1869.
Last issued, July, 1875.
210 stamps per sheet, (14x15).
1,893,620 issued on old paper.
5,847,042 issued on silk paper.

"This die was ordered by Selby & Taylor who became the American Match Co."

The design is severely plain and altogether is keeping with the austere and even patriarchal features of the portrait it bears. The writer has been unable to ascertain who the portrait pictures but believes it must be none other than Mr. Enoch G. Selby. It is framed by an upright oval containing the firm name, address, etc., and the rounded corners of the stamp outside the oval bear "U" and "S" above and "1" and "1" below. Within the oval at the left is "One" and at the right "Cent" in small capitals. The whole forms an upright rectangle of the usual 1c size. In many details the design greatly resembles the American Match stamp of Amsterdam which was last issued in the same month the Cleveland stamp first went into use. The centering of the latter is notoriously poor—the old paper being worse than the silk. A few copies of the 1c on old paper are known overprinted

Am Match Co
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The overprint has been noted in red and in magenta. It is doubtful if the 1c stamp was ever used in multiple. None so used have been noted and the records would indicate that the firm always had a sufficient supply of the 3c stamps on hand.

Regarding the 3c stamp the Boston Book states:—

Die approved, March 6, 1869.
First issued, April, 1869.
Last issued, July, 1875.
42 stamps per sheet, (3x14).
1,567,146 issued on old paper.
2,649,766 issued on silk paper.

This is a strip stamp intended to encircle the box of matches. The engraved surface measures 5¼x⅝ inches. In the middle is a longitudinal oval containing the same portrait found on the 1c stamp, but placed sideways with the top toward the right end of the stamp. At either end of the stamp is an ornamental panel containing an eagle and shield like that on the Eichele stamps. The panels between the eagles and the portrait contain the inscriptions in three lines. At left "American Match Co.—Three 3 Cents—Cleveland, Ohio", at right "United States—Three 3 Cents—Internal Revenue."

In the writer's opinion this is the handsomest of the long match stamps—the design being free from over-ornamentation, simple and effective. Unfortunately, the manner of use damaged most of the strip stamps and fine copies are seldom found. To obtain the 3c stamp on old paper in good condition requires considerable patience even for those who could afford to pay any price. Cancelled copies of this denomination have not been noted.

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UNITED STATES.—Rumors have been circulating for some time back that the Bureau contemplated issuing commemorative stamps. We can now state definitely that the Bureau is without any information whatsoever relative to any intended issuance of any new postage stamps either commemorative or regular issues within the next six months. As the Senate has not acted upon the Treaty of Peace as promptly as was probably supposed that they would act, quite likely the original desire to issue some sort of Peace stamp has cooled. Our current design of the regular issue has been in use for eleven years and a new issue would not be unwelcome. There is a long story attached to why the Post Office originally adopted the one or rather two head series and as this is philatelically interesting your Editor intends presenting some of these facts in a short article in an early issue.

Judging from numerous sheets as well as blocks of the 1c surface print which have been submitted to us recently by correspondents throughout the country, we have been led to believe that the Bureau has probably been more lax in distributing the last lot of these stamps than was their usual custom. From the looks of some sheets showing smudges, blurrs and other defects, we are almost lead to assume that they finally got rid of a number of sheets that originally had been discarded as imperfect. We must again repeat that these surface printed stamps reflect greatly upon the work of the Bureau and now that they are over insofar as postage stamps are concerned we sincerely trust that conditions will never again warrant the Bureau going back to this method.

Mr. J. R. Hammerle as well as Mr. H. F. Metz have brought our attention to the 2c ultramarine Playing Card stamp, series of 1914, surcharged by the Bureau in red "8 Cts.", with an additional surcharge both straight and inverted reading "8 c—R.P.C.Co.—4-1-'19" in three lines. We might state that when this latter surcharge is applied to the 2c ultramarine without the Bureau overprint it may be considered as a private provisional, for in such a case the overprint, similar to the previous 7c surcharges privately applied, is the only means whereby we know under what Act the stamp was used. When, however, the Bureau applies their surcharge the stamp becomes one of an 8c denomination and any further surcharging by a Playing Card Company can rank as nothing more than a cancellation.

Mr. P. F. Robinson has submitted an interesting Playing Card item namely, the large brown wrapper taken from the package in which one dozen packages of playing cards were wrapped. The small packages evidently were without stamps, for the brown wrapper is surcharged in two lines in red "Internal Revenue paid—8 cents per pack." We described some months back a similar wrapper surcharged 7c under the previous Act.

We wish to express our appreciation of notes of interest sent us by Messrs. F. Edw. Fahy, T. B. Mason, V. N. Conzemius, A. W. Kade, Gerald Mogeon, and Franklin S. Smith.

The mail also brings an interesting invitation announcing the coming marriage of one of our valued correspondents, Miss Elizabeth C. Buchanan. We wish her all the happiness in the world.

AUSTRIA.—Our valued Linkoping correspondent, Mr. Th. Allard, sends us a sample set of the "Deutschosterreich" stamps up to 50 heller, which, together with a 1k value, were issued in August—the 20 heller early and the others towards the end of that month.

They are in three types, the 1, 5, 10, 20, 25, and 45 hellers having the Austrian Eagle, the 3, 6 and 12 hellers having the representation of a posthorn, and the 20, 30, 40 and 50 hellers the picture of an aproned, but otherwise nude, young man, with his left knee on the ground, in the act of planting a sapling—presumably the new Austria.

The stamps all bear the imprint of the artist, J. F. Renner, and are lithograhed on white wove unwatermarked paper, perf. 12½. They each have considerable ornamentation in the spandrels and around the central device. The inscriptions of value are at the foot of the stamp, these and the colours being:—

1h vermilion.	20h slate.
3h grey.	25h blue.
5h green.	30h brown-lilac.
6h orange.	40h violet.
10h red.	45h olive.
12h pale blue.	50h ultramarine.

Our correspondent says that the above stamps will soon be obsolete, as the name of the country is to be altered to "Republik Osterreich," instead of as at present. New stamps, inscribed accordingly, or obsolete ones overprinted, will then be issued.—*Stamp Collecting.*

BELGIUM.— (*Occupied German Territory.*)—Current postage stamps of Belgium (1915 types) overprinted ALLEMAGNE—DUITSCHLAND in two lines in black. White wove paper. No watermark. Perforated 14.

1919, 1 centime, orange.
2 centimes, brown.
5 centimes, emerald-green.
10 centimes, bright rose.
15 centimes, deep violet.
20 centimes, mauve.
25 centimes, blue.
35 centimes, orange-brown & black.
40 centimes, green and black.
50 centimes, lake and black.
1 france, purple.
2 francs, greenish grey.
5 francs, deep blue.
10 francs, brown.

On the 5fr value the inscription in Flemish at the top of the stamp has now been corrected to "Frank" (instead of "Franken" as heretofore).—*Stamp Lover.*

EAST AFRICA AND UGANDA.—R. V. Raut writes: "I have a 3c G.E.A. stamp used with a 6c British East Africa and Uganda Protectorate stamp. They have a common postmark (Tanga). This shows that ordinary British East Africa stamps can be used in G.E.A. Does it mean that the G.E.A.'s are soon going to be withdrawn, when the G.E.A. territory will be affiliated with British East Africa?—*Stamp Collecting.*

GERMANY.—We are informed by Robert Loebl that new aeromail stamps are soon to be issued, if indeed they have not already been issued. There will be two rectangular stamps in the series, 10pf green and 40pf orange. The stamps will be inscribed "German Aerial Mail". The 10pf stamp was designed by Mathey, who won first prize in the competition held by the German National Assembly. It depicts a posthorn with value on each side of the design. The 40pf stamp was issued by the Government Printing Office, shows a bi-plane in flight, and the value is found in each of the upper corners.

JOHORE.—We have received another new value on multiple Crown and C A. paper, 10c purple and ultramarine.—*Australian Philatelist.*

JUGO SLAVIA.—Adjt. Henry Hooreman informs us that the last consignment received from Jugo Slavia contain two new values in the type "Slave breaking his chains". They are the 15 blue green and 30 brick red perf. 12½. The 10 red, 50 Russian green and 1k red are now issued with zigzag roulettes.

KEDAH.—The $2 and $3 values have been overprinted Fifty cents and One dollar respectively. The overprint is in two lines, and two square blocks cancel the original value.—*Aust. Philatelist.*

ROUMANIA.—(*Moldavia Provisional*)—The following is noted by Messrs. Bright & Son:—10 bani handstamped on 3 bani, perf. 13½, in deep violet.

SWITZERLAND.—The *Stamp Lover* says concerning the peace set:—"According to official notices, these stamps will be on sale until Dec. 31st, 1919, unless the supply is exhausted in the meantime. When first issued, they were only available for inland correspondence, but they may now be used for foreign postage to Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Great Britain, Italy, Luxemburg, Roumania, Serbia, Sweden, Spain and Bohemia."

TYROL.—William Hay sends us a print of a so-called stamp concerning which he desires further information. The design is upright rectangular in shape and was used on parcel post service. The central design is the Tyrolian eagle, above being the inscription "Land Tirol" and upon the right and left the words "Postpaket" and "Freimarke" respectively. The value is 20 heller and the color red on white.

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NOTES FROM JAPAN.

By R. Yokohori.

The peace stamps of Japan are very remarkable in view of their quick production by the Government Printing Bureau by the recess printed process. It is well known that this process requires necessarily a much longer time both in plate making as well as printing. Another remarkable feature in connection with this special issue is that for the first time in the history of Japan's postage stamps plate numbers are seen on the margins of sheets. Some members of our Society, the Yurakukai (The Philatelic Society of Japan), have made lists of these numbers, which run from 3495 to 3502 inclusive on the 1½ sen; 3507 to 3514 on the 3 sen; 3527 to 3531 on the 4 sen; and 3522 to 3526 on the 10 sen. Each number is accompanied by a Japanese character, the second of the Japanese Hirakana syllabics, and is pronounced "ro".

Thus the two lower values have eight plates each, and the two higher values have five plates each. Hoe's four plate presses of which the Bureau possesses at least six, are said to have been used for printing these stamps. So we may safely assume that two presses each were used to print the lower values and one press each to print the two higher values, provided, of course, that the printing was done all at the same time.

I have to inform you that there has been discovered a small black dot on the plate of the 1½ sen which manifests itself in the printing of the stamp.

The steamship "Siberia Morn", which is one of the biggest steamships in Japan, made her first sailing October 12 from Yokohama direct to San Francisco. The trip will take only twelve and one-half days and it seems to bring the United States quite near to Japan.

The aerial mail service concerning which I recently gave you some particulars is scheduled for trips the latter part of October and I shall write you later concerning this.

With reference to the dot which is found on the 1½ sen stamp, I beg to say that minor errors occur very seldom on modern recess printed stamps, but the peace stamps of Japan are an exception. This distinct variety consists of a small dot in one of the half-circles of blank spaces in the border ornament near the lower right corner. There are five such stamps in each sheet of eighty, and are numbers 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10, counting from the left in the third horizontal row from the top. From the regular repetition of this variety in the plate we may assume that the transfer roll contains sixteen impressions in two vertical rolls of eight each, and that the third die from the top on the left side had received a small foreign substance at the plate mentioned. All the eight plates show this peculiarity. We have been so far unable to find any varieties on the other values. Mr. Umejiro Kimura, who is the president of our society, informs me that the variety is so constant that its market value will be small.

BAHAMAS COMBINATION PLATE.

Harry E. Huber.

Recent printings of the Bahamas George design stamps bring an oddity in the shape of a block of four, showing two different plate numbers—something unusual in current British Colonials. The current 2c British Guiana, George and Arms design, is printed in sheets of 240 sheets, the two upper panes (60 each) being from plate 1, and the two lower from plate 2. But here a block of forty stamps (two horizontal by twenty vertical) is necessary to show the plate 1-2 combination.

The George design keyplate of the Bahamas as made up in 1912, contained 60 subjects, arranged as usual, in ten horizontal rows of six each. From it were printed sheets of 60 stamps, on which the plate number (1) appeared four times; over the first and sixth stamps of the first horizontal row and under the complementary stamps of the tenth row. To facilitate the filling of requisitions, early in 1918, De La Rue & Co., Ltd., of London, made up an additional 60-subject keyplate, numbered 2, and showing the plate numbers in the same positions as for plate 1. These two plates, placed side by side, and clamped together, formed a 120-subject printing plate.

The first values to be printed from this combination plate were the ½d, 1d and 1s, overprinted WAR TAX in one line of tall sans serif caps and issued at Nassau on July 20, 1918.

Two blocks in each sheet show the plate 1-2 combination—one consists of the sixth and twelfth stamps of the left pane (plate 1), and the first and seventh stamps of the right pane (plate 2), with the narrow connecting margin; from the bottom of the sheet a similar block can be secured. These combination blocks are not at all common, for though 120-stamp sheets are sent out from London, they are usually separated at Nassau into panes of 60, for convenience in handling.

The 2d gray and 4d orange yellow were the next values to be printed from this combination plate,—issued in November, 1918. The 2d was issued primarily to care for the increase in letter rate to the States, from 1d to 2d, on February 21, 1918, when the war taxes on postal matter became effective. This value being new to the Islands' series, a Two Pence duty plate was necessary, and unlike other value plates for the George keyplate, it was made up with a marginal line surrounding each set of 60 subjects. (The duty plates of the current ½d and 1d Trinidad and Tobago stamps, also show this). The plate numbers on keyplates 1 and 2 were not spaced from the marginal line with the idea of allowing space for the reception of the duty plate marginal line (in the completed sheet),and the result is that the 2d duty plate marginal line encroaches on the keyplate numbers.

In February, 1919, the ½d, 1d and 1s ordinary, appeared in combination plate form; in May came the 2½d and 6d, and in August, the 5s

The two-line WAR TAX stamps were issued on July 14, 1919,—the ½d and 1s with red overprint and the 1d with black overprint—these, too, were printed from the combination plate.

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1d dull rose (black overprint).
1s black and scarlet (red overprint)
Ordinary issue.
February 1919. ½d blue green.
1919. 1d dull rose.
November, 1918. 2d gray.
May, 1919. 2½d blue.
November, 1918. 4d orange yellow.
May, 1919. 6d bistre brown.
February, 1919. 1s black and scarlet.
August, 1919. 5s dull purple and blue.
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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

THE LITTLE ALBUM.

By LOWELL J. RAGATZ.

Months have passed since that red-letter day when I left the quiet, humdrum existence of civilian life and donned khaki, entering a new world and facing a future at best uncertain.

Busy days they were, those in camp; days that grew into weeks, and weeks that grew into months; days crowded with hard work and thrilling experiences. There were gruelling eternities on the drill field with a brazen sun glowing overhead, sleepless nights when every muscle screamed forth its protest to a dulled brain, weeks of exacting and nerve-racking work on the rifle range and in the model trenches, innumerable transfers with the inevitable separation from all friends, and forced marches, all in preparation for the Great Adventure across the waters, which was destined never to come. Yet, now that it is all over, these experiences seem as if made of dream-dust, as though they were happenings in another world.

Few were the ties which then connected us with our pasts. Letters, a few papers and an occasional magazine—they were about all. There was time for little else in the mad preparation for the grim business which seemed before us.

Yet of the few ties which did bind me to the world of my yester-years, there was none which bound quite so tightly as did a little old stamp album—the collection of my schoolboy days.

For ten years it had lain, all but forgotten, among a pile of old books in the attic. In the attic, yes, covered with dust, and I fear, with more than one cobweb, while its several aristocratic, leather-bound successors were being filled, pored over, and given a place of honor on the library shelves.

What pleasure they have given me, these "grown-up" albums! How I love to turn page after page, resplendent with their unused beauties. How each little colored bit of paper whispers its own story, its tale of romance, into my willing ears. They have given me numberless hours of pleasure, and I hope, will always continue to do so.

But not until the short row of loose-leafs was being put into the vaults for storage until the happy return, did I realize what a large part stamps really were of me. They had become a part of me; they had come to fill a place in my life which would be painfully vacant without them.

Then it was that I turned once more to my first love, the little collection of long ago, and on a sudden impulse, rescued it from its ignoble resting place, and packed it at the bottom of my suitcase. It was with me during my entire life as a soldier, and was an ever-present, comforting companion.

Look at it with me now; let us turn its pages carefully. A small collection, yes, in a little back-broken Imperial, the stained copies and liberal use of mucilage or "mehlkleister" bespeaking the halcyon days of childhood when mere hindersome accessories such as hinges and tweezers were alike unknown.

Laugh at it, even as I did every time I took it from my blue barracks bag. Yet what a train of recollections the turning of each page calls forth; how, in the lonely moments in the tented cities of the Southland, each dab of color on the scantily filled pages brought back happy memories of friends of the dream-like long ago.

The three "Army Franks" on the first page! Well do I remember the day I traded them with a school chum for some old five-cent stamps taken from my grandmother's love letters. The Franks are not real stamps? Of course not! And I gave something really choice for them? Yes! But listen. I would not today exchange those three red, blue, and brown labels for a dozen 1847 five-cent each.

The friend from whom I received them was an officer in the A. E. F. and led a brilliant attack at Chateau-Thierry. There he met his death, but only after five machine gunners had fallen at his hand in close quarter fighting. Today, he lies buried in a little cemetery on the edge of a quaint French village. Is it any wonder, then, that I prize these little remembrances of him as I do?

The four-cent Omaha. A battered specimen, torn and daubily cancelled. Admittedly. But it was the first stamp I ever had. When, years ago, as a child, long winter illnesses made many tedious hours which taxed the ingenuity of my mother to make them pass as pleasantly as possible for me, she one day gave me a boxful of stamps to cut up. But when I saw this pretty orange stamp, with its Indians hunting the prairie buffaloes, I was fascinated. I had never known that stamps were interesting before, and instead of cutting up those in the box before me, I commenced to look them over. The day had passed before I was aware of it.

On the morrow, I amused myself by pasting all I had into a big wholesale implement catalogue, using the family glue-pot. Not that I had ever heard of stamp collecting or albums, but pasting the pretty bits of paper into a book seemed the logical thing to do.

And then, a few days later, when I noticed an advertisement in the *Youths' Companion*, in which the old Schuster Stamp Company offered 105 varieties of foreign stamps, including China, Japan, and Egypt, all for a paltry nickel, my joy knew no bounds. So stamps were used, too, in the countries I had heard so many wonderful tales of? Ah, I must have them!

Anxious days passed until the packet arrived, and with it came an approval sheet. No one but myself could touch the stamps, and to keep them safe I put them under my pillow at night. As for the approval sheet, I was innocent of the ways of stamp dealers, and stuck the stamps from them into my book with the others.

See these Chinese dragon stamps and the Egyptian salt tax revenues? They came in my first packet, and these [illegible] square Nicaraguan envelopes with their spouting volcanoes came from that first approval sheet. No bill was ever sent for the goods from this sheet—doubtless it was not worth the while! It was long before I realized what a culprit I had been. The use of the little pieces of gummed tissue paper puzzled me. Why, they could never hold the stamps as well as mucilage or glue could.

Thus things ran on for some time, until one day I saw an Imperial album in a book-shop. A book, meant just to paste stamps in! What a find! I must have it. A china-pig bank was broken, and the album, now this tattered one before us, became my own.

And then came the transfer from the catalogue which had thus far housed my treasures. Many were torn in the process, as you will see. Yet, that did not worry me, for I was then anything but the condition crank my friends now accuse me of being. What was a mere corner more or less?

This shilling Rhodesia? That was offered as a premium by some dealer whose name I have forgotten in the first stamp paper I ever saw—a copy of the WEEKLY, which came addressed to me. How it happened to be sent is unknown to me,—it is possible my name was on some list of customers the publishers purchased from the dealers I had been patronizing in my small way.

Be that as it may, that copy of the WEEKLY was a revelation to me. A real paper, with men offering stamps for several dollars each, and others giving them away free! From that day, my real collecting days may be said to have begun. Very sensibly, I at once subscribed; very foolishly, I at the same time wrote for every premium offered.

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When we accepted the position of judge in the contest based upon the assigning of details of stamp design found on the cover of our special number dated September 27th to their proper progenitors, we did so with our eyes open. We had the simplicity of mind to think that for some reason or other this contest would not entail the work that a previous contest of the same kind did some time ago, when we undertook the task of selecting prize-winners. We thought that our readers would be too busy to spend much time studying over the picture puzzle and that the prizes of ten dictionaries would be easily awarded. The trickle of answers at first soon developed into a stream and near the end of October there was a deluge. Soon a dawning suspicion that we had invited trouble gave way to certainty and when it was shown that the designs in some cases were used on the stamps of more than one country, we knew that some tall thinking had to be done if we were to treat fairly all those who relied upon our honesty of endeavor.

In the original design, Mr. Coe named the countries as follows: Bosnia, A7; Brazil, A39; Bulgaria, A23; Colombia, A88; Chile, A13; Cuba, A24; Dahomey, A2; Denmark, A10; Ecuador, A20; Egypt, A15; France, A5; Great Britain, A89; Guadeloupe, A8; Greece, A26; Hawaii, A28; Italy, A47; Japan, A29; Nicaragua, A13; Peru, A20; Portuguese Congo, N1; Portugal, A52; Roumania, A48; St. Lucia, A15; Wurtemberg, A4 and U. S., No. 233. This list comprises twenty-five subjects, and if the repetitions of the designs in the cases of Brazil, Greece, Portuguese Congo, St. Lucia and Egypt are counted, the total becomes thirty-one. A difficulty arose when, for instance, the Portuguese Congo design could be ascribed correctly to other colonies. After making all adjustments, we find that the following ten contestants are the prize-winners, Mr. Algeo heading the list with twenty-four names correct:

Howard Algeo, 787 Elton Ave., New York City; A. A. Belser, 395 Ellsworth Ave., New Haven, Conn.; Mrs. J. W. Stanford, 455 Wildwood Ave., Piedmont, California; L. R. Wells, 4708 N. Kedzie Ave., Chicago, Ill.; Theodore H. Ames, 71 Christopher Street, Montclair, N. J.; E. M. Sperling, Hotel St. Regis, New York City; Daniel Benkholder, 722 N. 16th Street, Harrisburg, Pa.; C. A. Erickson, 8101 S. Peoria St., Chicago, Ill.; T. R. Hungerford, 222 N. St. N. W., Washington, D. C. and Charles M. Breder, 15 Humboldt St., Newark, N. J.

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Some of the entrants submitted lists beautifully illustrated and in particular we may mention the effort of Mrs. J. W. Stanford while Dr. Wells' answer was given in rhyme.

JUGO-SLAVIA.

By JAMES F. HAMILL.

It is my purpose to make a short reply to Messrs. H. Kuh and Matt Simuvich, in reference to my article under the above title which appeared a few weeks ago.

Taking up Mr. Kuh's "comments" first, I admit my mistake in the population of Bosnia and Herzegovina, as the correct figures are 1,568,092 instead of my 19,702. In respect to the area of the same province, apparently both Mr. Kuh and myself are in error, as he gives it as 23,262 sq. miles, while the latest edition of the Encyclopedia Brittanica gives it as only 19,696 sq. miles, and Funk and Wagnalls Standard Dictionary as 19,702; my figures of 1,568 sq. miles were, of course, incorrect also, but this can be readily explained as an error on my part in taking down the figures, which came about as follows: The figures of the area and population of Bosnia and Herzegovina were taken from Funk and Wagnalls Standard Dictionary, where the population figures are recorded by the thousands; so after the name of that province were given—"19,702" and "1,568", meaning an area of 19,702 sq. miles and a population of 1,568,*000;* but in jotting these down, I apparently got them reversed, and had I taken them as they really were and added the *thousands* to the 1,568, I would have been all right.

Although I gave no figures for the population of Sarejevo, Mr. Kuh states it as 30,000 in 1902, while the Encyclopedia Brittanica distinctly gives it as 37,713 even in *1895*. He also says Agram had a population of 65,000 "in the nineties", but I again refer him to the Encyclopedia Brittanica, where it gives Agram's population even in 1907 at only 61,002, while in 1890 at 38,742—nearly *half* of Mr. Kuh's figures. Having lived there, he naturally knows more about the buildings, etc., than I, and if his statement is correct, then I was misled by Funk and Wagnalls Standard Dictionary which distinctly defines Agram as "a city of cathedrals and universities".

Replying to both Mr. Kuh and Mr. Simuvich on the question of Laibach being in Slavonia, they both surely read my introduction in which I clearly said I was dividing Jugo-Slavia up into only the *three* main classifications, namely, (1) Bosnia and Herzegovina, (2) Croatia, and (3) Slavonia. Naturally *Carniola* and *Slovenia* both came under Slavonia, even though they may be entirely separate groups, and for that reason Laibach was taken as a city of Slavonia.

Mr. Kuh graciously gives us the information that DRZAVA means "State"; HRVATSKA means "Croatia"; KRALJESTVO means "Kingdom"; and also that "29 Listo Pada" signifies October 29th. And in the same issue, Mr. Frederic C. DePuy tells us the portrait on the 5k Slavonia is King Peter of Serbia, so the unknown points in the subject have been brought to light. I desire to thank them both for the corrections and further interesting information they have supplied.

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WORN PLATE.—A plate on which parts of the design have become so worn that they fail to print properly.

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WOVE PAPER.—This is paper of a plain even texture such as is usually employed for books and newspapers. It is the one most generally used in producing postage stamps.

WURTEMBERG.—A German kingdom situated between Bavaria and Baden. Postage stamps were first issued in 1851.

W. W.—The initials of William Wyon, the engraver of the dies, which can be plainly seen on the base of the bust of some of the embossed British stamps of 1847-54.

Y.

Y¼.—The real meaning of this surcharge has caused a controversy extending over many years. One argument is that as "y¼" would mean "and ¼" in Spanish, the stamp is of a value of 2¼ reales. The other argument, and the one which is accepted by the best authorities, is that "Y" stands for "Ynterior" and the stamp is a ¼ real stamp for "interior" or local postage. That this is the fact is clearly enough shown by the decree of Nov. 15, 1855, which "ordered the establishment of an interior post (correo interior) for the City (Havana) and suburbs, beginning on the 19th. instant" and also that mail matter "must not circulate without being prepaid by stamps of one-quarter of one real, silver, specially prepared for the purpose, and to be found on sale at all postal stations." Only one stamp was required on a missive, irrespective of weight, and the surcharged stamps were used until replaced by a definite type of this value in 1862. The use of "Y" for "I" as an initial is an old Spanish custom as witness, "Ysabel," and "Ygnacio," for Isabella and Ignatius, and the painter Yriarte.

YCA.—An overprint found upon certain of the local issues of Peru intended for use in the district of Yca.

YEN.—The unit of value in Japan. A yen is divided into 100 sen and is worth about 48c in American money.

YING-YANG.—A watermarked device shown in many of the stamps of China, which represents the positive and negative qualities in nature according to Celestial philosophy.

YRAPA.—A control mark shown on some of the type-set stamps issued in Marino, Venezuela, in 1903.

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Z. AFR. REP.—An abbreviation for "Zuid Africaansche Republiek" (South African Republic) shown on the stamps issued by the Boers at Pietersburg in 1901.

Z. AFR. REPUBLIEK.—The most usual form of the name shown on the stamps of the Transvaal when an independent republic.

ZAMBESIA.—One of the administrative districts of Portuguese East Africa, in the lower valley of the Zambesi river. Postage stamps were first issued in 1894.

ZANZIBAR.—A British protectorate consisting of the islands of Zanzibar and Pemba. Postage stamps were first issued in 1895.

Z. A. R.—An abbreviation for "Zuid Africaansche Republiek" shown in the overprint upon the stamps issued by the Boers during the temporary occupation of Vryburg in 1899.

ZARAGOSA.—A Spanish city now more usually known as Saragossa. During the regime of the provisional government of 1868 the stamps used in the city were all overprinted "Habilitado por la Nacion".

ZA LOT KOP. 10.—An inscription shown on the stamps of Poland meaning "10 kopecs per lotte"—the Russian unit of weight for letters.

ZEITUNGS.—The Austrian word for "newspapers" shown on the newspaper and Imperial journal stamps of that country.

ZEITUNGSMARKEN. — A watermark shown once in each sheet of the Austrian Imperial journal stamps. It means "newspaper stamps".

ZELAYA.—A province of Nicaragua. which has used specially overprinted stamps since 1904.

ZIG-ZAG ROULETTE.—A roulette where the cuts are such as to produce sharp points along the edges of the stamps. Some of the Queensland 1d stamps issued in 1899 will serve as examples. It is also known by the French term **percé en pointes.**

Z. M.—An overprint shown on certain Mexican stamps provisionally issued in Zacatecas.

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STAMPS OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

By BERTRAM W. H. POOLE.

(Continued from page 402)

All values except the 4d are found with a compound perforation of the 11 and 11½-12 machines. These are all scarce and though no authoritative information is available it seems highly probable that these formed an early supply, for the 11 perf. by itself was only used for the 1862 issue.

All values are known imperforate, but whether these were regularly issued or are proofs we cannot state. The 2d and 9d are known imperforate vertically and the 3d imperforate horizontally. Gibbons' mentions all three varieties as existing in pairs, imperf. between, but we believe this is simply an erroneous description of the part perf. errors.

Finally the 2d, 3d and 4d values with the 11½-12 perforation are known on a coarse wove bluish white paper quite distinct from the yellowish wove already referred to. In the large lot of remainders sold in 1874 practically all of these three denominations were on this paper, which would seem fairly good evidence that they formed the last supply of the pence stamps sent to the Island. When they were issued is a moot point. Gibbons' says "1867-8" and, Mr. King, presuming that a warrant issued in 1867 or early in 1868 for the payment of a supply of stamps covered this consignment, assumes they were issued at least as early as 1868. But we have already shown that the 4d value could not have been issued until the early months of 1869 and it is highly probable that the first supply was on the old yellowish paper. It seems more than likely, therefore, that the stamps on the bluish wove paper did not reach the Island until 1869 or 1870. All three values on this paper provide pale and deep shades and the 4d is known in horizontal pairs imperforate between.

A very interesting variety of the 2d of this issue is known rouletted instead of perforated, the variety evidently belonging to the series of 1861. We cannot do better than quote Mr. King's remarks regarding this variety, viz.:—

"This variety was first discovered by myself in October, 1888; it was found in a large quantity of used Prince Edward Island stamps sent me from Charlottetown; they were principally the 2d perforated 9, and only one specimen of the rouletted was found. The papers, from which this lot of stamps came, eventually fell into the possession of a friend of mine, Mr. Bartlett, and he was fortunate enough to discover four more. Up to the present date (1895) these are all the specimens known to exist, and taking the limited number of them as a criterion, they should rank among the great rarities. The paper is the same as that of the other values, and the color is a deep rose, with almost a shade of the claret tint of the 2d perforated 9. It is a very common shade in that value. The roulette points are quite distinct. Whether these stamps were sent out rouletted or not is open to question, though I am inclined to believe that they were.

All the specimens known are from the papers of one firm, and were probably on the correspondence of one person. At the time that these stamps were found, the taste for collecting on the entire cover was in its infancy, and not one of the five was so kept; thus, no trace of the date they were used or the Post Office that they emanated from remains. It is possible that a sheet or sheets had been issued in an imperforate condition, and that the postmaster of the receiving office or the party who bought them had them rouletted for their own convenience; but I think a more probable explanation is, that on account of the unsatisfactory separation of the stamps perf. 9. Whiting may have sent a few sheets rouletted to see if they would suit and that these sample sheets were issued to the public. This would seem more probable than that there was a rouletting machine on the Island at that date, but whatever their origin there can be no doubt as to their rarity."

REFERENCE LIST.

Electrotyped and printed by Mr. Charles Whiting, Beaufort House, Strand, London.

Jan. 1st, 1861. Yellowish toned paper. Perf. 9.

2d rose (shades).
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10 Turkey	.3	20 Portugal	.6	4 Gold Coast	.8
30 "	.24	20 Denmark	.7	6 Hong Kong	.8
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9d mauve (shades).
1863 (?) and later. Yellowish toned paper. Perf. 11½-12.
1d yellow-orange (shades).
(a) Imperf.
(b) Perf. compound of 11 and 11½-12.
2d rose (shades).
(a) Imperf.
(b) Imperf. vertically.
(c) Perf. compound of 11 and 11½-12.
3d blue (shades).
(a) Imperf.
(b) Imperf. horizontally.
(c) Perf. compound of 11 and 11½-12.
6d yellow-green.
(a) Blue-green.
(b) Imperf.
(c) Perf. compound of 11 and 11½-12.
9d lilac (shades).
(a) Imperf.
(b) Imperf. vertically.
(c) Perf. compound of 11 and 11½-12.
1869. Yellowish toned paper. Perf. 11½-12.
4d black.
1869-70 (?). Coarse wove bluish-white paper. Perf. 11½-12.
2d rose (shades).
3d blue (shades).
4d black (shades).
(a) Horizontal pair, imperf. between.

CHAPTER IV.—*The Bisected Pence Stamps.*

In the official notice relating to the forthcoming issue of postage stamps published in the *Royal Gazette* for December, 1860, we read "the blue or red stamp will be received for payment of half the sum it indicates if cut in two diagonally" so that the bisection of the 2d and 3d stamps perf 9 was officially sanctioned. Although so far as the 2d value was concerned this bisection was unnecessary after the issue of the 1d stamps in 1862 no official notice seems to have been published discountenancing the practice. Indeed, as in the case of the other British North American provinces, the bisection of any stamp seems to have been allowed. In many cases these "split" stamps were made simply to obviate the necessity of a special journey to a post office for the proper denomination and we thus find bisects of all values. These varieties are all rare and are highly interesting and, of course, should be collected on the original cover. They were usually used in combination with other stamps but as no reliable list of the various combinations has been compiled we mention in our reference list only such splits as have been recorded on good authority.

REFERENCE LIST.

These stamps are all bisected diagonally unless otherwise stated.

Perf. 9.
2d rose. Half used as 1d.
3d blue. Half used as 1½d.
Yellowish paper. Perf. 11½-12.
1d yellow-orange. Half used as ½d.
2d rose. Half used as 1d.
2d rose. Vertical half used as 1d.
3d blue. Half used as 1½d.
6d yellow-green. Half used as 3d.
9d reddish mauve. Half used as 4½d.
Bluish-white paper. Perf 11½-12.
4d black. Half used as 2d.
4d black. Vertical. Half used as 2d.

CHAPTER V.—*The Engraved 4½d Stamp.*

On the first day of June, 1870, the single rate on letters to the United Kingdom was reduced from sixpence sterling to three pence sterling—equal to 4½d currency. This necessitated the issue of a new stamp and as it was apparently desired in a hurry the order for its manufacture was given to the British-American Bank Note Company of Montreal and Ottawa. The design shows a portrait of Queen Victoria similar to that shown on the 6d stamp of Canada. Around the portrait is "Prince Edward Island Postage" in large uncolored letters and at the base is "3d.Stg. Cy.4½d" in bold characters enclosed within scroll work. The stamp is much the handsomest of any of the Prince Edward Island issues and is the only variety printed from an engraved plate. This value was printed on medium white paper in sheets of 120 arranged in two panes of sixty stamps each (ten horizontal rows of six) placed side by side. The stamp varies a little in shade from yellow-brown to deep brown. The exact date of issue is not known and though it is generally assumed to have been ready when the new rate came into force (June 1st, 1870) the earliest record we can find is a paragraph in the *Stamp Collector's Magazine* for September of that year stating it had "just made its appearance".

REFERENCE LIST.

1870. Engraved and printed by the British-American Bank Note Co., of Montreal and Ottawa. No wmk. Perf. 12.
4½d (3d stg.) brown (shades).

CHAPTER VI.—*The Cents Issue.*

In July, 1871, the following paragraph relating to Prince Edward Island stamps appeared in the "Stamp Collector's Guide":—

"This province is about to present us with a completely new set of stamps, similar in design to the present issue, but with value expressed in *cents* in place of *pence*. The change will be occasioned by the adoption of the decimal currency."

The Act establishing the decimal system of currency was passed on April 17th, 1871, and, as shown in an earlier chapter, the new system went into effect on January, 1872, so far as postal matters were concerned. There was thus ample time between the passing of the Act and its enforcement for the new stamps to be obtained from London. The new series comprised six values—1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 12 cents—and it is quite probable that they were all placed on sale on January 1st, 1872. Curiously enough, however, the stamps do not appear to have been mentioned in any of the British stamp journals until April of that year when the *Stamp Collector's Magazine* listed them as follows:—

"Our budget this month is comparatively unattractive, being almost exclusively composed of notices of minor varieties. The sole prominent exception is the new series for Prince Edward Island. This is noticed by our New York contemporary, who describes it as "simply a disgrace to any country". The stamps are, according to him, "the poorest engraved in use in the British dominions"; and we can fully bear out his opinion ourselves, and so, we think, will our readers after examining the annexed engraving. The design consists of the head of the Queen to left, in va-

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Apparently this enthusiasm for economy was the sole reason for such poor-looking stamps, for Mr. Whiting was well known as an engraver and printer who could produce the best grade of work. When it is considered that he made no charge for dies or plates and printed the stamps at the exceedingly low rate of 2s per thousand, it is remarkable that the stamps are as good as they are. Mr. Whiting's bill for these stamps was submitted on June 4th, 1872, in the following terms:—

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	£	s	d
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Evidently only this one supply was ever sent to the Island for in the following year the special stamps ceased to be issued when the colony was admitted into the Dominion of Canada.

The stamps were issued in sheets of 100 arranged in ten rows of ten though the plates of the 3c and 12c found in the Whiting effects, and mentioned in a previous chapter, were composed of fifty stamps. Regarding this Mr. King says: "it is probable that the sheets were printed from two plates clamped together, as the entire sheets show no irregular spacing between the middle rows, which would certainly have been the case had they been printed in two impressions."

As in the case of the pence stamps there are all sorts of minor varieties due to defective printing. The only one of any importance occurs in the 3c. The plate for this value was evidently composed of a reproduction of a mould containing ten cliches in two rows of five each. The second stamp in this group has a distinct uncolored dot between the words "Prince" and "Edward" which thus occurs five times in the plate reproduced in the *London Philatelist*. This plate apparently composed the right half of the sheet and curiously enough the variety does not show in the corresponding stamps of the left hand half.

There being but the one supply shades are not very pronounced except in the case of the 1c, in which variations from yellow-orange to brown-orange may be found, and the 6c which exists in deep green and yellow green.

The stamps were all printed on the same sort of paper and the 1c and 3c values provide two distinct sorts of perforation. Some were perforated with the 11½-12 machine used so extensively for the pence values and others were perforated with a machine having a gauge of 12½-13 and making much smaller holes. Both values are also found with a compound perforation of both these varieties. The 2c, 4c, 6c and 12c values were perforated by yet another machine having a guage of 12 to 12¼ and are only found in this form. All values are known entirely imperforate while Mr. King mentions an entire sheet of the 6c imperforate vertically. We have also seen this value in a horizontal pair imperforate between. These stamps had but a short life, for on the 30th June, 1873, they were withdrawn from use.

REFERENCE LIST.

Jan. 1st, 1872. Electrotyped and printed by Mr. Charles Whiting, London.

(a) Perf. 11½-12.

1c orange (shades).
- (a) Imperforate.

3c rose.
- (a) Imperforate.
- (b) Stop between "Prince Edward."

(b) Perf. 12½-13, smaller holes.

1c orange (shades).
- (a) Compound perf. of (a) and (b).

3c rose.
- (a) Compound perf. of (a) and (b).
- (b) Stop between "Prince Edward."
- (c) Same variety with compound perf.

(c) Perf. 12 to 12¼, large holes.

2c blue.
- (a) Imperforate.

4c green (shades).
- (a) Imperforate.

6c black.
- (a) Imperforate.
- (b) Imperforate vertically.
- (c) Horizontal pair, imprf. between.

12c reddish mauve.
- (a) Imperforate.

(To be continued.)

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Mistakes seldom happen in connection with the advertisements that appear in the WEEKLY, but they do occur occasionally in the mailing department. It is due to the mass of detail in connection with the mailing list, which cannot be checked up every week. When a subscriber is dunned for a renewal of subscription and his number on the wrapper plainly indicates that the subscription has months to go, he should realize that a mistake has happened, for the Whole Number tells the story. The present Whole Number is 1509 and your subscription has not expired if it is beyond that number.

It also occasionally happens that a renewal is sent in at about the time notices of arrearages are sent out, and a detail of this kind cannot be adjusted on the mailing machine the moment it reaches the office. Just allow a little lee-way and your Whole Number will soon acknowledge the renewal.

All this is preliminary to the acknowledgment of a very courteous letter received from Wm. Uhlman of N. Y. City. We shall quote a part of his letter:—"I have received Your Whole Number 1507 and herewith enclose the wrapper which shows that my subscription does not expire until Whole Number 1563 has been forwarded. However, I am willing to renew my subscription for two years and enclose my check for $2."

We are justified in saying that any subscriber who has an unexpired subscription of one year and yet renews for two years when the subscription price has been doubled deserves a place in the front ranks of material friendship. We thank Mr. Uhlman.

WHY NOT DEAL IN STAMPS?

In every community there are scores of boys interested in stamps and stamp collecting. You should cultivate this interest by giving away your cheap duplicates and getting boys to sell the better grade among their associates. Here is all the outfit you need, and we can furnish it:—

100 approval report blanks	.30
100 neatly printed letter heads	.30
100 approval sheets (two colors)	.30
1000 American Hinges	.15
Book "How to Deal in Stamps"	.10
Perforation Gauge	?
	$1.15

The Whole Outfit for $1.00.

The boy of today is the adult collector of tomorrow and the more missionary factors there are, the merrier will be the hobby in the days to come.

THE MANAGING EDITOR.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—We are informed that Herrin, Ill., will have a new set of precancels to use during the holiday season. There will be fifteen varieties from 1c to 15c, the set including the 3c Victory. This information comes from A. A. Jones.

—The *Evening Post Magazine* of New York in its issue of Saturday, Nov. 15, contained a full page article entitled "Stamp Market Boomed by the War". It was written by Henry B. Curry and is based upon an interview with Chas. J. Phillips of the Stanley Gibbons Co., Ltd., who has been here in the U. S. for some weeks. It is publicity of the right sort and will be worth many thousands of dollars as an advertisement of our hobby. The article is nicely illustrated and the new European issues receive considerable attention. Allan J. Roos was the first to send us a copy of the article in question.

—After advertising in the WEEKLY for some thirteen years under the name of the Co-operative Exchange, it will now be noted that henceforth the firm name will be discontinued and the business will be conducted under the name of Max F. Bier & Co. Mr. Bier by his honorable dealings has built up a stamp business of considerable proportions and his regular use of the WEEKLY has been a no mean asset in attaining success.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from T. S. Brophy, Frank W. Lynes, L. S. Kilborn, H. M. Clark, Harold Rowlatt, L. J. Shaughnessy, Sam White, Robert H. McAllister, J. Rausch, Harold M. Breese, Zeigler Sargent, Geo. G. Umstead, P. F. Sabine, G. F. Wild, W. F. Ferguson, J. W. Sampson and Thomas S. Bergen.

—We regret a mistake which occurred in connection with the article "Precancelled Stamps of the U. S." by Dr. C. W. Hennan in our issue of Nov. 1. Dr. Hennan's name was printed "Herman", but we feel quite sure that the identity of the writer was easily apparent in the strong association of the doctor's name with precancelled stamps.

—The latest pricelist to reach us introduces the "Texas Special Line" consisting of packets, sets and approvals and issued by A. A. Hyde, Sherman, Texas. A feature of special interest to us is the fact that Mr Hyde advertises our entire set of booklets as well as the taking of subscriptions to the WEEKLY. This is co-operation that counts.

—"Please correct address in our ad to read 551 North 52nd St. instead of *511*. Have taken more office space and will begin display ads very soon."—BELMONT STAMP CO.

Dutch Indies 1905, No. 53, 10 on 20c dark gr., used .....cat. .10 net .04
1906, No. 55, 1gld dull lilac .15 .05
1906, No. 56, 2½gld slate blue 1.00 .46
1908, No. 58, 17½c bistre .... .12 .05
1908, No. 59, 22½c br.&olive gr. .25 .10
1912-14, 12½,17½,20,25&30c,5 var. .35 .17
1912-14, No. 118, 50c green.. .10 .05
" No. 119, 1gld brn., scarce .20 .15
Italy, surc. di corona, 1c-1 corona, 11 var., mint .85
surc. di corona, 4 values Dues .15
Siam, No. 42, 10a on 24a lilac & blue, mint .20 .08
No. 143, 2s on 14s blue .... .20 .07
Fine copies. Postage extra on orders under 50c. Fine selections of Neurope on approval. Reference required.

H. & M. STAMP CO., 3248 Eastwood Av., CHICAGO, ILL.

Navy Department

Beautiful O. G. Mint BLOCK of 12, Finely Centered.
1 CENT ULTRAMARINE,
Scott's No. 1534, Cat. $1.25 per stamp.
Best offer takes it. All letters answered. Bank references furnished.
ROBERT P. JOHNSTON,
Concord, N. H.

Match and Medicine
COLLECTION OF 477 STAMPS

Catalog $176. **Price $50**
Write if interested.
H. W. MARSTON
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Selections on approval to responsible collectors. Examine the stamps and compare prices before buying.
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Austria, 2, 3 & 4k, Nos. 159-61, 3 var. ..... .80
***Bavaria Rep.,** 2½p-3m,15 var. 1.00
Wurtemberg Rep., 17 var. 1.00

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Why not send for a small wholesale consignment of "Europe" on approval. Business reference required.

CARL YOUNG
112 N. FIFTH ST., PHILA., PA.

***Bosnia** Newspaper 1918, Nos. 205-10.. .25
***Fiume,** Unpaid, 2 and 5 ..... .13
***German,** National Assembly 1919, Nos. 105-07 ..... .09
***German Austria** 1919, 3h to 1k, 12 varieties ..... .25
***Hungary** 1916, 10 & 15 with 40f, No.205 .13
"Bolsheviki" 20, 45, 60, 75 & 80f cancelled 1.60
Poland 1919, 10f to 1m, cancelled .... .37
Postage Extra under $1.00.

FRANKLIN COOPER, 108 Claremont Ave., Jersey City, N. J

U. S. REVENUES.
25c Entry of Goods, imp. Cat. $.25, on part cover, **Superb** .....$ .12
25c Life Insurance, imp. Cat. $1.25, on part cover, **Superb** ..... .50

C. C. AUCTION SERVICE, 353 Turner St., Auburn, Me.

"War"

Roumania on German, 1st issue (4) ..$1.90
Roumania on German, 2d issue (5).. .50
"Iraq" British Occupation, ½a-1R (9) 3.20
Austria "Air Post," set of 3 ..... .75
Bavaria "Volkstaat", 1-20m, (6) 5.25
Roumania on fiscal, M. V. i. R. (3) .. .90
Roumania on Dues, M. V. i. R. (5).... .60
Brazil Dues 1919 (6) ..... .25
Official, 1919, (5) ..... .45
Latvija, set of 3 on ruled paper ..... .15
Latvija on German maps, each ..... .05
Full sheet of 220 only 12.50

also

U. S. Envelope Columbian Error 5c slate, entire 8.75
Brazil 1919, set of Dues ..... .25
1919, Official ..... .45
Albania "Comet", set of 6 ..... 1.75
Turkey 1915, 10 on 25, 25 on 200 ..... 4.20

also

Yvert & Tellier "Complete Catalog of War Stamps Issued by the Allied and Neutral Countries"..... .25

FRANK P. BROWN COMPANY,
325 Washington St., BOSTON, MASS

LOOK 'EM OVER!

Poland 1919, Eagles, 5h to 1k, 8 var ..$1.25
Japan 1919, Peace, 1½, 3, 4s, 3 var. .... .20
Switz. 1919, Peace, 7½, 10, 15, 3 var. .. .15
Lichtenstein 1917, 3h-25h, 6 var. ..... .30
Ceylon, War, 1c-5c, 4 var. ..... .15
Jamaica, 1½p, No. 75 ..... .05
Jamaica, 2½p, No. 64 ..... .03
Hayti, No. 242* ..... .02
Costa Rica, No. 37a*, Cat. 8c ..... .01
Netherlands, No. 70a, 1gld ..... .01
Postage 2c extra. Send reference for "Premium Approvals." **Try Them—They Are Different.**
Minnesota Stamp Mart, Cloquet, Minn.

ANOTHER STRIKE! But it's You Who's Striking Bargains!

50c slate blue, U. S. Col. Iss., unused .75
6c, 16c, 24c U. S. Aeroplanes, unused.. .65
25c Parcel Post Due, green, used, cat. .75 .31
13c Apple Green, unused ..... .18
15c dark green, Col. Iss. used, Cat. .35 .17
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Postage ext. on these. Mention MEKEEL'S! U. S. & Canadian Want Lists solicited. Ref.

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U. S. ONE CENT

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Singles, pairs, strips and Blocks (all types).

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Eight Stamps Cat. $1.35 free to each new approval applicant sending a description of what he collects and including 2c postage. Reference appreciated.
"You've tried the rest, now try the best."—**DELLCO APPROVALS.**
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FREE——DELLCO——FREE

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Caribou Issue, 1919, Complete Set un'd, $1.50
The prettiest set of stamps in a long time!!
Guy Issue 1911, 6c brown violet (engraved) **Used** Scott's No. A50, cat. 60c, only 50 copies, **My Price 35c.**
I do not exchange. Cash with order only.
Reference, Willard O. Wylie. [09
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Suitable for your best friend—or you.
100 Var. French Col. Picture Stamps..$1.25
200 Var. French Col. Picture Stamps .. 3.00
100 Var. War Stamps, only 3.50
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Have you seen the **Texas Special** "Time Table"? Free, send for it.
PACKETS SETS APPROVALS.
Yours for service.
A. A. HYDE
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U. S. BOOKLETS.
Over 100 Line Cut Plate Nos.
var. to offer at low price or will take duplicates in trade. If interested in **Booklets** it will pay to write me. [18
Simpson Yeomans, Princeton,N.J. A.P.S.5397

German Occ. of Belgium, 21 var. canc. $1.25
Esthonia, 6 var., canc. ..... .25
Czecho-Slovakia, 4 var. canc. ..... .10
Sweden, 5kr Service (No. 440) ..... .50
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660 Market Street, San Francisco, Cal.

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THIS WEEK'S NOVELTY

Vertical pair, mint, o. g. current U. S. 2c carmine, imperforate between but showing blind perfs., middle bottom stamp .....$ .70

S. S. S. SNAPS.

Newfoundland, Caribou, 1, 2, 3, 5, fine .10
Austria, No. 670 "Porto," mint, o. g... .03
Montenegro, Nos. 25-36, twelve bi-colors, o. g., beauts ..... .90
Turkey, P. O. Jubilee, Nos. 345-6, o. g. .12
Thessaly Octagons, Nos. 2001-05, mint, o. g. ..... .30
Russia, Levant, Nos. 813-16, fine ..... .24
With every order over seventy cents, Ceylon Wars, complete, used, FREE. Postage extra under $ .50.

LAST CALL!

U. S., 3-cent RED envelope Error, entire, mint $3.00
Ecuador '08, Triangles, Complete, superb, o. g. ..... 1.5¢
(Who else offers the rare 5-centavos unused?)
The three high values, 2 triangles, o.g. .65

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of which I hold a very nice lot, both off or on covers. All the shades and many odd cancellations, at present prices.

I advise collectors to secure all the copies they need, even if 1½ to double catalog quotations, because this stamp is going to sell higher next year.

Don't forget I have other U. S. stamps, both fine and ordinary, state which class you prefer, as there is a big difference in price between slightly damaged and superb copies.

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Address
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Look Again!

All new issues such as Jamaica (last issue War) Uruguay, (peace issue) high values of Siam, Red Cross and Victory sent out on our approval customers.

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If interested, send for a selection. Reference essential.

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4602 Indiana Ave., Chicago, Ill.

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Baden, 3kr, No. 7, Cat. .15 .....Net .10
3kr, No. 8, Cat. .50 ..... .28
6kr, No. 21, Cat. .50 ..... .28
German-China, 40c, No. 352, Cat. .35.. .20
½d, No. 353, cat. .40 ..... .30
1d, No. 354, Cat. .80 ..... .50
1½d, No. 356, Cat. $1.35 ..... .95
Kiauchau, 2c, No. 15, Cat. .15 ..... .09
4c, No. 16, Cat. .12 ..... .08
Prussia, 2sg, No. 4, Cat. .30 ..... .18
1sg, No. 6, Cat. $1.00 ..... .60
3sg, No. 8, Cat. $1.00 ..... .60
3sg, No. 13, Cat. .30 ..... .20
Postage Extra.

H. W. LITTEN, ROCK ISLAND, ILL.

STOP! READ! ORDER!

Esthonia, 5pf imp., unused .....$ .15
Esthonia envelope, 5 diff. stamps 3.50
Romania, 9th Army Corps, 10 bani 1.25

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2 Heller Express stamp, the rare one. red gold, Cat. $120.00 .....35.00
3 to 30 Heller, 12 var., cat. $46.80 .....20.00
Ads last 4 weeks still good.

JAMES H. ROBERTS, 814 11th St. N. W., Washington, D. C.

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See last six weeks' ads for large variety War and New Europe Issues. Nearly everything still in stock. Appr. against ref.

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PHILIPPINES.

Nos. 241 to 245 and 247 ..... .10
Nos. 255-6 and 7, cat. .70 ..... .20
Nos. 261 to 268, minus 264 ..... .06

R. P. ORNDORFF, B. Btry, 14th Field, FT. SILL, OKLA.

POSTALLY USED AND FINE.

Indo China, Red +, 102-3-4 .....Net .16
Seycheles, Geo., No. 72 ..... " .49
St. Settlements, Edward, $1, No. 142 " .39
Invincible Apps. against Soc. No. or Refs.

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500 VARIETIES $1.05
Japan, 4 var., Nos. 140-143 ..... .22
Denmark, 40 ore, No. 127 ..... .06
Colombia, *20c, No. 407 ..... .08
Jamaica, ½p, No. 304 ..... .03

L. A. Davenport, Academy St., Belleville, N.J.

A WORD OF EXPLANATION

I wish to apologize to the patrons of the Elk Stamp Exchange for any apparent neglect that has been paid them. As manager of the exchange I beg to say that I have been absolutely unable to give any attention to stamp business during the past few weeks, nor shall I be able to before January 1. I have just purchased the Rexall Store in this town and have found it impossible to get sufficient assistance to properly handle the details of the business that has come my way. Those who have sent stamps in for exchange are assured that they will lose nothing through this delay. The publishers of the WEEKLY or anyone else may communicate with the United Drug Co. of Boston or the local bank, and I believe all inquirers will be satisfied with the report made concerning our financial responsibility.

F. D. MARTIN, RENOVO, PA.
Manager of the Elk Stamp Exchange, formerly St. Marys, Pa.

LOSS OF THE GREEN COLLECTION.

(There was a brief mention in the Chronicle a few weeks ago of the loss of Col. Green's stamp collection by the sinking of his steam yacht "United States." The rumor has not been verified but this clipping from the **New York World** under date of Nov. 18 is interesting enough to bear reprinting.—Ed.)

When the steam yacht United States, owned by Col. E. H. R. Green, son of the late Hetty Green, struck on rocks near New London, Conn., last August and was sunk, there went down with the vessel a large part of Col. Green's valuable collection of rare postage stamps, it was reported yesterday. Col. Green could not be reached last night to verify the report.

The stamps are said to be in two safes aboard the yacht, but water seeped in and it will require the services of an expert to ascertain the extent of damage. It is feared, however, that the water has destroyed the delicate colors of the stamps and has detached them from the books in which they were inclosed.

Col. Green's collection of rare unused stamps, the great Nelton collection and forty-three copies of the 24 cent United States Aeroplane Mail stamp with its centre printed upside down are reported destroyed. Col. Green some time ago bought a single sheet of 100 stamps for a price said to have been in excess of $20,000.

GREATER VALUE GIVEN THAN BY ANY OTHER PUBLICATION.

To The Editor:—

The Nov. 15 WEEKLY is here in New York *Wednesday* morning this week,—a new quick-delivery record for the New York P. O., and I note your increase in subscription price to one dollar.

In my opinion you will lose but very few subscribers by this necessary increase, and those few will not materially decrease the sales of your advertisers.

Anybody who is unwilling to pay two cents a copy must be a tightwad, and the average collector is not that.

Think how cheerfully we all dig up 2c for the morning newspaper, only to glance at the headlines, read one or two editorials, and throw it aside, while the WEEKLY is perused from beginning to end with keenest interest, and often preserved and re-read, advertisements and all, several times.

Surely your paper gives us greater value even at one dollar per year, than any other publication, philatelic or otherwise. Wishing you continued success, I am,

J. W. SAMPSON.

GENEALOLGY OF COUNT LAPP DE BOOZE.

By CHARLES S. THOMPSON.

(The philatelic public is greatly indebted to Mr. Thompson for his success in solving a very knotty and nutty problem.—Ed.)

Your endeavors to unravel the genealogy of Count Lapp de Booze, Luce Nutt, *et al*, have interested me greatly, and I am happy to be able to give you the desired information in a nutshell, as I have been on a still hunt for this de Booze data for some time.

As you probably do *not* know, the Count and Luce Nutt are both members of the Brazilian nobility, the most nuttiferous grandees existing, and the Count was at one time a Colonel of a Nutt regiment.

Luce Nutt's uncle, M. T. Nutt, had a daughter named Hazel and a son named Wallie. Hazel Nutt married a younger brother of the Count Lapp de Booze, and in honor of her father, M. T. Nutt, their son was named Coko. Luce Nutt, or to give his title, Graf de Goober, discarded his ducal designation on coming to the U. S., where he married into the Hickory family, a tough bunch, and went into the manufacture of almond meal. This venture proving a macaroon, he formed a partnership with O. U. Lush, a spirited youth, of the still-existing cadet branch of the Bourbon family. Through *his* mother, Angelica de Vine, he was connected with the oldest scions of the de Booże family, emigres to the Madeira Islands, and later Barons of Brazil in the bad old ante-nut days, before the Amazonian regions had become a stamping ground for Sir Charge Nutt, the *real* founder of the Nutt dynasty.

I hope this will inject sufficient syrup of double-distilled information into the empty flasks of knowledge, and fill them with 100 proofs of the worth of a nutterly refined family.

My office boy, H. E. Luvanutt, collected this information and he came back full of the subject.

$5000 FOR A MOLDAVIA.

The first intimation that we have had that Hon. Ernest R. Ackerman is abroad comes in the receipt of a letter from Nice, France, containing the senator's card and a clipping from the Paris *Daily Mail*. We quote the clipping as submitted:—

"Still higher prices for rare postage stamps were paid on Saturday at the auction sale in Paris which had been continued throughout the week. An envelope on which were a pair of 108-para stamps with an 1858 Moldavia-Rumania postmark was bought by a Paris dealer for £960. Reckoning the auctioneer's commission and the *taxe de luxe*, the purchase came to £1,128.

A one franc French stamp of 1849 was knocked down at £166. The total amount realised by the sale was £10,800."

AGENCIES FOR S.-W.-J. CO. BOOKLETS.

A Pittsburg subscriber writes us:—'Why not add the name of Wm. Schwarz to your list of agencies?" The reason why is because we have made it the rule to run here only the names of dealers. We have agents in various localities and we are very glad to have Mr. Schwarz represent us in Pittsburg. If we had unlimited room at our disposal we should be glad to insert here the names of collector agencies as well as dealer.

The third edition of the "Collectors' Guide" is now on sale. If unable to secure it from the nearest agency, kindly advise us. We have four or five books now in the making and they will be valuable additions to our already lengthy list.

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Preston & Rounds Co., Booksellers.
NEW YORK CITY
Economist Stamp Co., 87 Nassau St.
PHILADELPHIA
Eugene Klein, 1318 Chestnut St.
P. McG. Mann, 720 Liberty Bldg.
WASHINGTON
H. F. Colman, 2nd Natl. Bank Bldg.
H. B. Mason, R. 21, 1413 G. St. N. W.
CHICAGO
United Stamp Co., Marquette Bldg.
MILWAUKEE, WIS.
Chas. Christensen, 1673 Third St.
KANSAS CITY, MO.
Curiosity Shop, 1903 Main St.
DENVER
Maitland Milliken, 404 Foster Bldg.
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Baden 1853, No. 6, un'd, cat. $6.00 net $3.00
Orange River Col., No. 4 used, cat. $6 net 2.90
Dominican Rep. 1883, No. 73, un'd net 2.60
Cyprus No. 1, plate 12 unused, fine net 2.50

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Dutch Indies 1906, 2½g, No. 56 .... .40
1912, 50c, No. 118 ..... .06
1919, 30c on 1G, scarce ..... .18
Chile 1911, 10p, No. 112 ..... 1.25
Nicaragua 1912, 35c, No. 305 ..... .13
1912, 1 peso, No. 307 ..... .20
Honduras 1913, 6c on 1c, No. 148 .. .15
Roumania 1908, 11, No. 215 ..... .04

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References or Deposit required.

G. A. WILLIAMS & COMPANY,
291 Autumn Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Laibach, 3 to 1k, comp., 9 var. ..... .60
Nigeria, 6d, 1sh, 2sh 6d, the three ... .58
***Salvador**, Nos. 175-176, Cat. 47c ..... .20
***Russia**, Nos. 77, 81, 85, 110, Cat. $1.15 .35

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Antigua, ½d red **War Stamps** ..... .03
1½d orange, black overprint ..... .05
Bahamas, 5d Special, orange & black .30
5d Special, violet & black ..... .18
1d Red Cross ..... .05
1d War Charity ..... .05
2d George, gray ..... .05
3d Staircase, on orange ..... .15
3d Staircase, brown and black .... .10
½d local, **War Tax** ..... .45
1d local, **War Tax** George ..... .10
3d local, **War Tax**, Staircase ..... .50
1s local, **War Tax** 5.50
1d local, **War Tax**, Staircase ..... .35
½d London, 1 line ..... .04
1d London, 1 line ..... .05
3d London, 1 line on orange ..... .20
3d London, 1 line brown and black .15
1s London, 1 line ..... .45
½d London, 2 lines ..... .03
1d London, 2 lines ..... .04
3d London, 2 lines ..... .10
Barbados, 1d **War Tax** ..... .04
Bermuda, 1d **War Tax** ..... .04
British Guiana, 2c **War Tax** ..... .04
British Honduras, 1c burele ..... .25
1c burele **War** ..... .10
1c no burele, **War** ..... .05
1c London **War** ..... .03
Cayman, 1½d on 2½d blue, **War Stamp** .07
Ditto orange, **War Stamp** ..... .05
½d green, **War Stamp** ..... .03
Dominica, ½d small local **War Tax** blk. .25
½d London **War Tax** ..... .03
1½d on 2½d orange, **War Tax** .... .05
3d **War Tax** ..... .10
Jamaica, 1½d Contingent Embarking.. .05
Montserrat, ½d **War Stamp**, red ..... .04
Ditto, black ..... .03
1½d orange and blk., W. S. ..... .05
St. Kitts-Nevis, ½d **War Tax** ..... .03
St. Vincent, 1d **War Stamp** ..... .04
Trinidad & Tobago, ½d **War Tax**, current .03
1d ditto ..... .04
Postage extra.
Blocks and pairs pro rata.

HARRY E. HUBER, [09
5913 Rippey Street, Pittsburgh, Penna.

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	Cat.	Net
1906, 1c to $5.00	$7.80	$3.50
1c to 75c	2.80	1.40
Official, 1c to $5.00	7.80	3.50
Official, 1c to 75c	2.80	1.40
1909, 1c to 75c	1.57	.70
Official, 1c to 75c	1.65	.80
1903, Registered, 5 varieties	.50	.35

—Postage Extra— [09

R. C. BUCKEY,
412 Bowen Street, Dayton, Ohio.

50 different War stamps, fine $1.00
200 different stamps ..... .38
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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Crest—It seems that the philatelic star is higher in the heavens now than ever before and that philately's appointed hour is almost here. Perhaps it is better to say plainly that because of the advertising that stamp collecting has been receiving in a general way for some years past and the attractive psychology of the Neurope issues, the public mind is attracted to collecting and converts are coming in by the hundreds. The attention that philately is having in the newspapers is becoming so remarkable that one is justified in dwelling upon it repeatedly. We have told of the special page article in the Minneapolis *Journal* which as Mr. O. J. Olson informs us, "created a lot of favorable comment among people who know nothing of stamps and it surely was a boost for philately." Now, we notice that Henry B. Curry has fashioned an illustrated stamp article from an interview with Mr. Charles J. Phillips, which appeared in the *Evening Post Magazine*, New York, November 15th, headed: "Stamp Market Boomed by War. New Issues Have Stimulated the Interest of Collectors the World Over and High Prices Rule in Europe as Compared With America, Where Rarities Are Still to be Found." The article is particularly readable and Mr. Phillips' authoritative opinions are faithfully reflected, we should say, upon reading the entertaining account. We think that the collaborators have achieved a very happy result.

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Scores—A clever writer, Nina Wilcox Putnam, has a rippingly good story, entitled Comme Si, Comme Ca, in the *Saturday Evening Post* for November 15th, 1919, in which she artfully uses stamps as the feature of a most humorous climax. The fact that she so effectively utilizes stamps as the hinge on which the story turns shows that a resourceful writer endowed with a bit of stamp knowledge has an advantage over the fiction-writer who knows nothing of our world, as there are plots a-plenty in philately. The action revolves around a dealer in antiques and his conscientious curator; and a business rival, Madam Cartiea, in their quest for a Sully miniature. At an auction sale at an out-of-the-way place of the Durand "collection", which somewhat unexpectedly was attended by about all of the other dealers, the man dealer makes the discovery that the miniature supposedly is in a sealed envelope half way down a basket of trash, ticketed Lot 52. The dealer nervously awaits the sale of this lot on which the bidding starts at fifty cents and ends at $990; and the agitated antique artist tremblingly opens the envelope when he leaves the room and finds the envelope filled with revenue stamps. There is a miniature in the envelope and likewise it was full of revenue stamps. The heart-sick dealer is accosted by the woman dealer who hysterically declares that as a point of business honor she must have the miniature and she presses a check for $2,000 in his hands and makes way with the basket. Later, the curator gets the minature at another place and when he learns of the predicament of Madam Cartiea in whom he seems to have a heart interest, he insists that the miniature be taken to her and that the check be returned to her. The dealer and his curator find the great client at Cartiea's clamoring for a sight of the miniature. To gain time, she set him pawing through the basket of junk. Madam was distracted until she saw the miniature and then the wonderful Morgenthawl burst in with the envelope of revenue stamps in his hand. "You had them," he cried. Emotional high-jinks. "The beautiful, precious stamps that will make mine the only perfect collection in the world." "Name your price," he says, after he names four thousand. The miniature is forgotten in the intensity of the moment and the curator wants to get way from the scene; he says that he will drop antiques and start a lunatic asylum,—"eventually, I'll get the same clientelle."

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Memorial—Edward H. Buehler, Evanston, Illinois, member of the A. P. S., No. 101, and one of the oldest collectors in the country, died of heart failure on November 12th, 1919, at the age of seventy-seven years. Mr. Buehler's death, which took place at the home of his sister in Harrisburg, Pa., was sudden, and a week or so before he had been attending to his business in Chicago, that of handling drugs at wholesale. Mr. Buehler was a philatelist who combined the best traditions of the old school with the progressive ideas of the new-century collectors; and he was one of the most charming and upright of men, personally. While he never associated himself with the local Chicago societies, yet he was in sympathy with their objects as he showed when occasion permitted. The broader philatelic distinction of Mr. Buehler was due to a combination of circumstances that has long been history, as a score of years becomes a long stretch in these intensified days. When the 1898 series of revenue stamps were in use, fourteen proprietary medicine firms availed themselves of the opportunity under the law to secure the advertising advantages of private die printings and among the number was Charles Marchand of New York, whose per-oxide of hydrogen and similar preparations had gained him fame and favor. Mr. Buehler was resident agent in Chicago for the big Marchand account and naturally, it was not long before Mr. Marchand, knowing of Mr. Buehler's collecting inclinations, told him how he was bothered by the importunities of collectors for his stamps. Just then, Mr. Marchand thought it would be an irregularity to dispose of any of the stamps and he had the stamps used on his goods cut in half almost, and in some cases the stamps were actually charred by electrical burning of some kind or other, in order that they would be valueless for collectors. In due time, however, a pact was entered into whereby Mr. Buehler was given the handling exclusively of the unused set of seven Marchand stamps which were offered to the trade at a stiff price. This "syndicate" was not a success, exactly, and there were many remainders, some of which were worked off in the years that followed at prices lower than those asked originally. Mr. Buehler had a superb collection, among others, of U. S. and colonies, plate-number strips, a portion of which he sold only a few years ago to an eastern dealer. Mr. Buehler had been a member of the Evanston hospital board of trustees for eleven years and was senior warden in St. Mark's Episcopal Church. Those who knew Mr. Buehler personally will meditate upon the passing of a man of sterling worth and a true philatelist.

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INSCRIPTIONS.

By Henry A. Meyer.

I have been reading with great interest Mr. James F. Hamill's articles on Jugo-Slavia. At the end of the chapter on Croatia the author asks for the meanings of several words in the native language. Today a friend showed me two German stamp papers which explain these words and several others that have been puzzling me, and no doubt most American collectors. I will pass them along to you to use in case you think it would be of sufficient interest to publish it.

"Kraljevstvo" means kingdom, therefore "Kraljevstvo S.H.S." means Kingdom of the Serbs, Croats and Slovenes. "Hrvatska" is the native name for the province of Croatia. "Drzava" is not explained, but please note that on the surcharged Bosnia stamps, on the Laibach issue, and on the postage dues it is spelled "Drzava", while on the permanent set it is spelled "Drzavna". Their language seems to partake of the unstable character of their government.

Now for the meanings of a few words on recent Hungarian surcharges. "Köztarsasag" means republic. "Magyar Kir. Posta", which has been familiar to us all for years, is the abbreviation for "Magyar Kiralyi Posta", which is the Hungarian equivalent for the "K. u. K." that has been on Austrian stamps for years, and means imperial and royal. The issuing of the reaper set omitting the "Kir." and reading only "Magyar Posta", signifies the abolition of the royal government in Hungary. "Magyar Tanacsköztarsasag" means Hungarian Soviet Republic, i. e., the government of Bela Kun. "Magyar Nemzeti Kormany" means according to one paper, Hungarian National Government, and according to another, Hungarian People's Government, and the set so surcharged and bearing also the additional surcharge "Szegedin 1919" were issued by the less radical government established in southern Hungary in opposition to the Bela Kun regime. Baranya, or the Banat, is that part of southern Hungary reaching approximately from the junction of the Theiss with the Danube south to the Serbian border. It is rumored that this region has been divided by the Peace Conference between Roumania and Jugo-Slavia, in spite of the fact that its population is Hungarian and German. The foreign papers quoted emphasize the shady character of these obscure stamp issues, and say that if their issue is official at all, it must be of a very local nature, for they are entirely unknown to the postal authorities at Buda-Pest.

I am not an authority on these matters, and cannot vouch for the correctness of the information I am passing on to you, but even if it should contain certain inaccuracies, it may still be the means of putting somebody on the track of investigations which will eventually yield exact knowledge.

LATVIJA.

By Augustus H. Kiusalas.

The article of Mr. J. W. Hamill in the Weekly of Sept. 13th entitled "Stamps of Lavonia" was read with considerable interest. Mr. Hamill is in error concerning some figures as given by him. In addition, "Livonia" does not mean "Latvija" as stated, in any sense of the word.

"Latvija", until recently, had only a mythical existence politically. Before the fall of the Russian monarchy, it existed as a part of the then Russian Baltic Province. Baltic Provinces under the Russian monarchy were divided politically into three parts, namely, Kurlandia, Lifelandia and Estlandia (Courland, Livonia and Estonia). Each had a Governor, appointed by the Russian Government. The Governor of Livonia, residing in the City of Riga, also acted as Governor General for the Baltic Provinces.

The southern half of Livonia and all of Courland is claimed by the Letts. They have declared a Lettish Republic and call themselve in their native tongue, "Latveeschi", and their Republic "Latvija". The northern half of Livonia and all of Estonia is claimed by the Estonians (Estee), who have also declared a Republic of their own. They have issued stamps with the inscription "Eesti Post", literally translated, "Estonian Postage" or "Estonian Postoffice".

From the above explanation it will be easily seen that "Lavonia" does not mean "Latvija" or "Latvia". The stamps bearing the inscription "Latvija" should be listed, not as "Livonia", "Lettland", "Lithuania" or "Latonia", but listed as "Latvija" or "Latvia' and no other way. (Standard Catalog, please take notice).

Mr. Hamill for some reason or other takes all the glory belonging to the City of Riga and gives it very liberally to the unimportant port of Libau. A local comparison would be the same, if we compared Boston, Mass., with Newport, R. I. The latter being a naval port like Libau. The writer also refers to a previous article which he wrote for your publication and in which it was shown that Riga was founded in the year of 1201. Mr. Hamill mentioned that Libau was founded in the year of 1201, which is an error.

The population of Riga in 1913 was 558,000, and not 228,000, as stated, and the port of Libau was 90,000, not 68,000 as stated. The port of Libau was quite an unimportant place until a decade ago, when the Russian Government decided to make it a Naval Base. This was on account of it being free from ice all the year round. The other Baltic ports, like Riga, Petrograd, etc., were ice-bound for at least four months in each year.

The port of Libau was developed mainly for war purposes. The harbor was not a good one but was deepened at enormous cost. The city of Riga is one of the oldest in this section. Its history is quite interesting, as it is the seat of the Government of the Baltic Provinces. It is also called the "Metropolis".

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August 1, 1919.

"My very dear Mr. Perry:

Having just returned from a short vacation I find your letter of July 17, in which you explained your very **high** prices for stamps by admitting you secure stock from ——. You do not surprise me. Your admission needs no corroboration.

I was a little surprised, however, to read your declaration that your sales "often average" (a rather strange expression, as true averages are based on "always" and never on "often") over $1,000 per week. My dear sir, you astound me! For if you have any trade at all, I can not understand how at our prices your sales average less than **$1,000 per day.** There must be a leak somewhere! Would it not pay you to investigate?

Now, as a man who has been in business for many years and who no longer has to work, let me give you a little advice: It is extremely bad business form and unethical to insult and abuse by innuendo as to financial standing, etc., a person who has been courteous enough to inform you why he does not buy goods which you offer to sell him, especially when that reason is that your goods are, according to his experience, **marked too high.** Your action only indicates a lack of business ability and experience or a mind which has lost its poise.

I have shown your letter to a number of my collecting friends and to a couple of dealers. It has afforded us many a laugh, a great amount of amusement, although all had heard of you before and were not surprised. It would have been even funnier if there had not come with it the melancholy thought that perhaps you are suffering with a form of paranoia popularly known as "exaggerated ego." At least, you show one of its symptoms, a disposition to consider as a personal affront the expression by another—(exaggerated ego? E. P.)—of a view which does not accord with your own.

And, by the way, **dear** Elliott Perry, **himself,** if you find time in your $1,000-a-week business to reply to this letter, would you mind telling an anxious inquirer why you, of all stamp dealers, find it necessary to modify your name with the **modest** and **unassuming** word "himself." The natural inference is that people are using your name as an alias. Oh, I trust this is not so! Is it really so, or do you only imagine it to be so? How your $1,000-a-week must suffer!!

After carefully considering your suggestion that I send you a "bunch of fine old United States" to sell, I must respectfully decline, as I have no means of being sure that you would not try to take as **high** a rate of **profit** as you sought on the stamps you submitted to me on approval. Fortunately, we are not obliged to deal with war profiteers in philately as we are in the necessities.

In response to your insulting postscript of inquiry—(asking why he did not return the selection registered as it was sent to him, E. P.)—I will say that I returned your stamps with merely sufficient postage to carry them to destination, because the lot which you submitted contained many stamps not called for in my want list. In sending such stuff you committed a breach of business etiquette with which the best philatelic circles are not in sympathy, hence, I took the proper liberty and only convenient method of disciplining you.

Trusting that the few suggestion contained in this letter will be of personal benefit to you and cause you to refrain from abusing the next collector who does not think you are the most wonderful man in the world, even though you may be "Elliott Perry, HIMSELF" (Oh boy, oh boy, Bullsheviki), I am, Very sincerely yours for the good of philately, (etc.)."

If anyone cares to buy the original of the above letter and offers me $25 for it, they CAN'T have it! I can truthfully say that in all my experience it is absolutely unique. Next week I shall spill the rest of the beans so be prepared for a good laugh.

ELLIOTT PERRY
HIMSELF.
Box 323, WESTFIELD, NEW JERSEY.

CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—Through the courtesy of the Bureau as well as Mr. Joseph B. Leavy we are able to inform our readers that at the time the Bureau discontinued the making of the 3c booklets they had on hand six thousand sheets of the imperforated 3c stamps. These sheets consist of 360 subjects and as is well known are laid out with different spacings from the normal four hundred subject plates. The Post Office Department has just given permission to the Bureau to perforate these and divide them into sheets of 180 stamps, and in this shape they will be issued to the public. The variety will be perforated 11 and will be upon unwatermarked paper, but because of the lay out of the plate the variety may be distinguished when in blocks. It is not known at this time where the stamps will be sent, but as there will be nearly 2,160,000 of them, without allowing for waste, and as the 3c stamp is not a fast seller under today's postal rates there will be, quite likely, enough to go round.

Your editor was also privileged to see an impression from a new plate prepared by a new method for the offset print which closely resembles the engraved stamps. Had the Bureau been acquainted with this process before, we would never have had the poor work turned out in the case of the 1c and 2c "offset" postage stamps. Most of the tax paids and revenues will be printed in this way and collectors of these issues should be on the lookout for these new varieties.

Plates of four hundred subjects of the 2c stamp for the rotary press are nearing completion and as soon as the new perforating machine is in order and certain experiments have been completed, we may look for the 1c and 2c stamps in sheets of 100 from the rotary press. This will possibly result in our having the 2c from Die II perforated all around instead of in coil form only as at present.

Mr. J. M. Bartels has shown us the current 1c green, circular die, envelope on amber from a new die which has been designated as Die C. This stamp differs greatly from either Die A or B. The lettering is thin and sharp, the head is narrower, the cutting of the hair and coat differs, the outside border line is thicker, chin and nose are sharp and as a whole presents a vastly different appearance.

1919 Envelope, Circular Die.
1c green on amber, Die C.

Mr. H. F. Colman has called my attention to the right figure "3" of the second stamp in the bottom row of the lower left pane of sheet No. 9537, of the 3c surface printed stamp. The figure is closed and somewhat resembles an "8". Another freak to be added to the long list resulting from this manner of printing.

We also desire to thank Messrs. E. H. Draper, Chas. A. Townsend, Malcolm H. Ganser and Wm. J. Prinzing for clippings and notes of interests.

AUSTRALIA.—Miss Amy L. Swift submits the 1½d in a changed shade, the new color being a rich red-brown. Like the previous shade it comes in two watermarks, Crown A and multiple Crown A.

BAVARIA. — (1506)—The Economist Stamp Co. shows us the additional values of the set surcharged FREISTAAT BAYERN and they are up to the 5m value. The printing is in black and two lines.

BELGIUM.—Adjt. Henry Hooreman has shown us the 1, 2 and 5fr in the new Albert with Helmet type. The 1fr is in yellow, the 2fr in violet and the 5fr in lake. The stamps are very imposing and the colors fine.

The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us the stamps type A46, surcharged ALLEMAGNE DUITSCHLAND in two lines in black.

CHINA.—S. S. Wang Chin Chai submits for our inspection a copy of the 10c blue current issue with a surcharge in red, making it suitable for use as a savings stamp. The 10c are arranged ten to a card, while the 5c with same surcharge are used upon a card holding twenty stamps.

Mr. Wang Chin Chai also informs us that the government is considering the establishing of airmail service for certain parts of China and a distinctive stamp is among the possibilities.

GERMAN REPUBLIC.—We just learn with interest that permanent series will be issued for use in the entire German republic. Therefore, all stamps of Bavaria will be obsolete.—*Economist Bulletin.*

GERMANY.—Henry F. Pupke sends us a clipping from the *New York Stadt Zeitung* entitled "German Postage Stamps for Aero Mail". It confirms our chronicle of these stamps some two weeks ago. There will be two values, 10pf in green and 40pf in orange. Their shape will be oblong rectangular.

HUNGARY.—The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us the 2f stamp of the 1916-18 type surcharged "30" in blue and also the 3f and 5f of the same issue "150" in black. The former values are overstamped by a block of horizontal lines. The 15f (No. 204) is overprinted "PORTO 40" in black, the value being in the center and "PORTO" at the top, while black lines obliterate the figures and bottom line. Another provisional shown us at the same time is the 4f, same type as the first mentioned, surcharged "1k." in red with a wide band of the same color covering the former value. A small ornament in red is in the lower right corner and KOLTAR-SASAG is printed diagonally in black. These provisionals, we are advised, were used in connection with the Roumanian occupation.

ITALY.—A surprising new issue from Italy is the 15c value in the type of the 5 and 10c stamps of 1906 and, as it is in slate-grey and in the same design as the current 5c value, there is some danger of its being confused with the latter under artificial light.—*Stamp Collecting.*

JAMAICA.—The new 5s King George stamp, described last month, was placed on sale at the G.P.O., Kingston, Jamaica, on September 5th, says Mr. G. C. Gunter, who kindly sends us the following cutting from the local *Daily Gleaner* of that date:—

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6	1c red lilac	.50	.30
7	5c yellow green	.10	.05
8	10c vermilion	.50	.25
9	12½c blue	.75	.40
10	17c black	.50	.30
251	**New Caledonia,** 10c+5 carm.	.20	.15
20	**New Foundland,** 6p rose ..	.30	.25
24	1866, 2c green	1.25	.75
26	1866, 10c black	2.50	1.75
28	1866, 13c orange	1.25	.80
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LETTONIA.—Messrs. Whitfield King & Co. point out that the "map" stamps were not the first to be issued as is generally supposed. A provisional issue was made at Wolmar, in Northern Latvia, on December 15th, 1918, and remained in use until the Bolsheviks took the place on December 26th. The stamps are apparently impressed by hand in single copies, ungummed and imperforate. There are four denominations, 5, 10, 25 and 50 kopecs, each of a different design, and all printed in rose.

We have received from Messrs. Whitfield King & Co. a list of the maps which they have in stock, many of which have not hitherto been chronicled:—

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Q18.—Kupischki.	O18.—Klawany.
R15.—Kokenhusen.	Q17.—Ponedele.
R17.—Oknissta.	R18.—Rakischki.
S15.—Kreuzburg.	R19.—Uschpol.
T15.—Warklany.	T16.—Preli.
U17.—Puscha.	T17.—Wyschki.
U19.—Brasslaw.	

—*Stamp Collecting.*

MONACO.—In addition to the 3 values chronicled in issue No. 1505 the Economist Stamp Co. has shown us the 2c+3c, lilac and the last issue of *Stamp Collecting* announces that 50c+50c, 1 franc+1 franc and 5 francs+5 francs will also appear.

POLAND.—The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us the current issue German stamps surcharged in black as follows:—

5 . 5
Poczta
Polska

on the 2, 7½ and 20pf, in black, while the 25 and 40pf value are surcharged 10 with the same wording but of a trifle larger type.

At the same time we are also shown a new set of 5 values, imperforate, of an upright oblong shape. At the top is the customary "Poczta Polska" with the head and shoulders of a woman in the center of an oval frame. Just below are two post horns, one on the right and the other on the left. At the bottom is the word "FEN" with the figures of the value at each side. The values and colors are as follows: 5f green, 10f red, 20f orange red, 25f blue and 50f brown.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—The new 4c Georgian type in scarlet has just been issued.—*Economist Bulletin.*

ZANZIBAR.—The 5 rupee and 10 rupee have been added to the current set on multiple crown and C A paper, the same design as the 1913 series.—*Economist Bulletin.*

BELGIUM.

Belgium! The redoubtable little country that defied the aggressor's might and saved the world to civilization! The David that stood up before Goliath and struck the first blow against overwhelming odds! The civilized world is paying homage to this brave people, whose rulers just now are visiting America to express their appreciation of the aid, both moral and material, which our sympathy moved us to give them in their hours of need. A short review of Belgium's postal history seems not to be amiss at this time.

When Great Britain adopted penny postage and the adhesive stamp in 1840, the benefits were quickly noted in Belgium and an official was sent to investigate in 1841. The report was favorable and the subject immediately taken up, but it dragged along through officialdom until Dec. 24, 1847, before the law authorizing the use of postage stamps was passed, and then there was another wait until April 22, 1849, before the new rates were established. These were 10 centimes for single letters of not over 10 grammes, and for a distance not over 20 kilometers (12½ miles). For greater distances the rate was doubled; it was also doubled for letters between 10 and 20 grammes weight, and double rates were added for each succeeding 40 grammes or portion. Thus the first two stamps of 10 and 20 centimes are accounted for. They were placed on sale on June 25, 1849, but were invalid for use until July 1st, when the new system went into effect. The stamps were very simple in design, the principal feature being a portrait bust of King Leopold I in uniform. They were line engraved by M. Jacques Wiener of Brussels and watermarked with the royal cipher (two L's, one being reversed) in a single-lined frame. The total issue was 5,400,000 10c and 4,800,000 20c stamps.

A postal convention was made with France fixing the rate between the two countries at 40c for a single letter of 7½ grammes, unless the places of mailing and delivery were within 30 kilometers (19 miles) of each other, when it was but half this rate. A 40c stamp therefore became necessary and was issued on Oct. 15, 1849 (not in 1850 as in the Standard Catalog). This was also engraved by M. Wiener, but the design was slightly modified, the portrait now having an oval frame. As it was deemed advisable to have all three stamps in the same design, a circular of August 10, 1850, stated that the 10 and 20c stamps would be issued in the design of the 40c, and they appeared about the end of the month. Part of the paper used for printing had the cipher watermark *without* the enclosing frame, this being assigned to 1851 in the catalog but really having been issued in 1850. The paper of both stamp issues and both watermarks varies much in thickness from very thin to quite thick.

In 1861 a rearrangement of the plates was made in order to print larger sheets, and as the watermarked paper was not large enough for these they used a plain white wove paper thereafter. In 1863 a Brussels firm, Gouvellos Frères, offered to perforate sheets of stamps for the public at 5c per sheet. This brought the improved separation to the Administration's notice, resulting in a contract with the above firm to perforate the stamp supply. The perforated stamps appeared on May 1, 1863.

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In 1865 a change in the stamp designs was considered and essays were asked for. The results were unsatisfactory and Messrs. De La Rue of London were asked to furnish a new set. The rate to France had been reduced from 40 to 30c and a rate of 1 franc or 1.30 francs adopted for single letters of 7½ grammes to most foreign countries, so stamps of 30c and 1fr were prepared first and issued on Nov. 1, 1865. The other three values, 10, 20 and 40c, followed on Jan. 1, 1866. The new stamps were of course typographed and in the best style of Messrs. De La Rue's work. The plates were sent to Brussels and printed from there, except for 30,000 of the 1fr which were printed in London and shipped with the plates. These can be readily distinguished by the pale lilac color, fine execution and regular 14 perforation. At the same time 2 and 5c stamps were added to the newspaper set, these being engraved in Antwerp, with a new 1c to correspond. They were to bear the Belgian arms to differentiate them from the regular postage set with the profile of King Leopold. On account of trouble with the perforating machine the 1c was regularly issued imperforate from Sept. 1, 1866, until January, 1867; it was first issued June 1, 1866. The 5c was issued Sept. 1, 1866, primarily for the printed matter rate between Belgium and France. The 2c appeared March 1, 1867. The 14½x14 perforation of this set was by Gouvellos Frères; the regular 15 perforation dating from July 1, 1867, from a machine bought and used by the Administration.

King Leopold I died on Dec. 10, 1865, and was succeeded by his son as Leopold II. No change was made in the stamps for nearly four years, when a decree announced the first stamp of the new reign as the 10c, which appeared on Nov. 15, 1869. The remaining values were superseded during 1870, while added values of 25 and 50c were issued July 1, 1875, and a high value of 5fr on April 1, 1878. These stamps were all engraved on wood and printed typographically. Newspaper stamps of a new design, including a new value of 8c, were issued in connection with the new series, and by decree of Aug. 31, 1873, these stamps, which had hitherto been reserved for prepayment of printed matter only, were allowed to "be used for the prepayment of letters and correspondence cards."

About 1881, in consequence of frauds discovered in the use of stamps that had been washed by chemicals, aniline or fugitive inks were employed in printing future supplies, and new shades resulted in a number of the values. The 8 and 30c stamps were discontinued after July 1, 1875, and the 5fr stamps after 1887, the remainder on hand Jan. 1, 1888, being sold at auction in 1894, viz., 2,400 stamps for 36,000 francs. A new perforating machine was evidently put in use in 1881, as the low values in aniline colors, as well as subsequent issues, are perforated 14.

The poor printing of the last issue and the frauds connected with the use of washed stamps determined the Administration to replace the set by one engraved on steel, and new dies engraved in this manner were ordered from Messrs. De La Rue & Co. of London, as was done in 1865. The plates were delivered in 1882, but the stamps did not appear until the fall of 1883, the 10 and 20c on October 20th and the 25 and 50c on Nov. 1st. So much criticism was made of the King's profile that the issue was never extended and soon new types were produced in the former manner at the Government factory at Malines. The first was a 10c issued on July 15, 1884, succeeding its predecessor after about nine months. Other values followed as the 1883 issue became exhausted, two new values were added, a 35c for combined local postage and registration, and a 2fr, as well as changed colors for the 1, 2 and 5c stamps. The 10c on white paper instead of bluish is not an error but a regular issue, 5,000 sheets of white paper left from the previous issue having been used up in the printing of this first value of the new set before the bluish surface paper was put in use.

On account of agitation for better observance of the Sabbath, and not desiring to cut down the workings of the postal system too suddenly or too much on that day, the Belgian postal authorities adopted the novel and only practical scheme to satisfy the majority—they issued coupon stamps by means of which the user could "vote" on the proposition. In announcing the new issue it was stated that the stamps would bear the inscription in French and Flemish: "Ne pas livrer le dimanche—Niet bestellen op Zondag" (Not to be delivered on Sunday). "It will be optional with senders to detach this inscription from the stamps before making use of them or to leave it on. Correspondence bearing this note will not be delivered at its address on Sundays and holidays." The first value issued was the 10c on June 1, 1893, the others following through the year. The 2c was changed from yellow to lilac brown on Aug. 1, 1894, the 50c to gray in the fall of 1898 because of its similarity to the 10c, and the latter changed to carmine in the fall of 1899 to conform to Postal Union requirements. The last change made a further one in the 1fr desirable, as this was red on green, so it appeared in orange in the spring of 1900, and at about the same time the 2fr was printed on white paper instead of the rose tinted paper previously used.

A commemorative series of three stamps for the Universal Exposition in Antwerp in 1894 was issued in February and March of that year, bearing the arms of the city of Antwerp. Two "poster" like labels for the Brussels International Exposition in 1897 were issued, the 10c on Oct. 15th and the 5c on Nov. 15th, 1896. The former represents St. Michael, the patron saint of Brussels, overcoming the dragon, with the City Hall and the Palais de Justice in the background at left and right respectively. The 5c represents St. Michael in triumphant attitude with the dragon beneath his feet. The first color of the 10c proving unsatisfactory, was changed from yellow brown to lilac brown.

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MARKET NOTES.

From many sources I am told that there is a very marked increase in demand and interest of the many stamps and issues known as "Armistice" stamps.

Originally, of course, there was a demand for these issues, but the original prices dropped (in many cases) to such an extent that many collectors (and dealers) fought shy of having too much to do with these post-war issues. Apart from the question of dropping prices another damper to many an enthusiast was the number of new issues that arrived almost daily.

To-day the prices have settled down and "Armistice" issues may be said to be things of the past.

Many of these stamps and issues are exceedingly interesting and well worth collecting, but up to the present I have not been too enthusiastic over them, as I felt convinced the collector would do best to wait with his collection until the early inflated prices came to earth.

I do not think anyone can go wrong with Armistice issues now, as the prices are not likely to fall any more—in fact, with an increasing demand apparent an upward tendency may now be the result. The past fortnight has seen the influx of many enemy war issues into London. From inquiries I have made it appears that there is a big demand for all the cheaper values and sets.

Personally, I must profess my entire ignorance of these issues—I was under the impression that all were pretty common, but a Continental dealer tells me there are "big rarities" in M.V.I.R. Roumanians, Tyrol Republic, etc.

Regarding my remarks upon Lettland maps the situation is not yet entirely clear. From a usually well-informed quarter I learn that the *reprints* I referred to are more probably a *second printing*. Information to hand is to the effect that these maps were on sale at Riga P. O. at a quite recent date—probably even at this moment. If this is the case, the so-called reprints are in reality a second printing. Anyway, the quantities about are very large, and we shall soon see them offered at very much under the present low (apparently) quotations. Collectors would be well advised to *wait* before doing any speculations in this line.

One of the outstanding features of the past week has been the prices realized for the better Edwardian Colonials and war stamps at auction. Collectors of twentieth-century Colonials will be pleased to note that Edwardians are fetching full catalogue and over at auction, and even at that dealers appear to be the largest buyers. There is no doubt that Edwards are more popular to-day than ever, and that is saying a good deal.

Business in stamps seems to me brisker than ever. Many dealers have told me that the Strike made things very slack, but the subsequent business seems to have made up for the temporary quiet period.

There is a very noticeable increase in demand for good stuff on the Continent, *i. e.* good old Europeans and rare war stamps. This demand has existed all through the War until about twelve months ago, when it fell off to a marked degree. During the last month, however, things have become very active again, and most of the big Continental buyers are buying as heavily again as of old. All this points to a splendid future.

In the Turks Island they seem to have developed a mania for local surcharging. Now we have the 3d in the same type as the 1d. Naturally all sorts of prices are being asked for this stamp—nobody knowing the quantities issued. The 3d *might* turn out quite good, and that's as much as can be said at present.

Two weeks ago I made some casual observations on the "Raynham" air stamps, and my remarks seem to have been misunderstood in certain quarters, as I did not mean to imply that they were bogus. Personally I know nothing about them, and I was therefore asking for information on them. My chief point in soliciting information was to find out what has become of the Martinsydes mail. The whole mail was sent across by ordinary post (steamer), so I am told. I know of several people who had letters sent them by this air mail which did not materialize. Well, if the letters were sent by ordinary mail—and I have information from St. John's that they were sent—where are the letters, who is holding them up? Can Mr. Raynham enlighten us on the subject? The letters have not yet been delivered to the addressees. Atlantic air mails appear to be very uncertain of delivery, as I understand several letters on Mr. Hawker's Sopwith have not yet reached their destination!

I notice one or two of our dealers here advertising in German journals, and some of the prices at first sight seem somewhat alarming. Up "Mark" stops [illegible] at 300 mark. Should a big price here [illegible] the dealer a profit plus an item for the [illegible]. Anyway, it's quite a fair price to ask in face of the [illegible] which German dealers are [illegible] their stuff over here.

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1865-72
½r, No. 2 ..... .07
½r, No. 9 ..... .05
1r, No. 10 ..... .10
*1p, No. 11 .... .03

1887-93
*80c, No. 22 ... .04
20c, No. 27 .... .05
1s, No. 29 ..... .10
*5s, No. 30 ..... .15
*5c on 1s, No. 31 .15
*5c on 50c, No. 35 .08
*5c on 5s, No. 38 .10

Postage Due.
*10r, No. 410 .. .02
*20r, No. 411 .. .03
50r, No. 412 ... .03
200r, No. 413 ... .03
300r, No. 414 ... .04
*10r, No. 424 ... .07

Official.
*20r, No. 502 .. .02
*50r, No. 503 ... .02
500r, No. 508 ... .03
10000r, No. 513 .12
500r, No. 519 .. .05

1896-98
*1c, No. 63 .... .03
*2c, No. 64 .... .05
*5c, No. 65 .... .02
*10c, No. 66 ... .04
*20c, No. 67 .... .04
*50c, No. 68 .... .06
*1s, No. 69 .... .08
*5c on 10c, No. 72 .13
*10c on 4c, No. 73 .18
5c, No. 79 ..... .05
1c, No. 85 ..... .30
50c, No. 90 .... .13
*2c, No. 116 ... .07
*1c, No. 118 ... .05
5c, No. 129 .... .02
50c, No. 132 ... .02
1c on 2c, No. 135 .08

1896-98
*1c, No. 63 .... .03
*2c, No. 64 .... .05
*5c, No. 65 .... .02
*10c, No. 66 ... .04
*20c, No. 67 .... .04
*50c, No. 68 .... .06
*1s, No. 69 .... .08
*5c on 10c, No. 72 .13
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*2c, No. 116 ... .07
*1c, No. 118 ... .05
5c, No. 129 .... .02
50c, No. 132 ... .02
1c on 2c, No. 135 .08

1898-1900
*10c on 15c, No.49 .06
*10c on 40c, No.50 .05
*2c, No. 51 .... .04
*3c, No. 52 .... .08
5c, No. 53 .... .06
10c, No. 55 ... .10

1901-2
*1p, No. 57 .... .45
*2c, No. 58 .... .10
5c, No. 59 ..... .04
*1c, No. 61 .... .02
*2c, No. 62 .... .02
5c, No. 64 ..... .03
10c, No. 66 .... .07
*20c on 40c, No.69 .06
*1c on 14c, No. 70 .06
*1c on 1p, No. 73 .04

1903-7
*1c, No. 77 .... .02
5c, No. 79 ..... .03
10c, No. 80 .... .05
1c, No. 84 ..... .02
2c, No. 85 ..... .03
5c, No. 86 ..... .03
10c, No. 87 .... .09
*60c, No. 90 ... .20
1c, No. 91 ..... .02
5c, No. 92 ..... .03
5c, No. 93 ..... .03
*10c, No. 101... .20
2c, No. 102 .... .03
5c, No. 103 .... .03
*10c, No. 109 .. .05
20c, No. 111 ... .07
30c, No. 112 ... .13
60c, No. 113 ... .22
*60c, No. 114 .. 1.10
*1p, No. 115.... .55
2p, No. 116 .... .25
*5p, No. 117 .. .75
*10p, No. 118.. 1.40
*20p, No. 119.. 3.00
*5c on 2c, No. 120 .03
*5c on 2c, No. 121 .03

1908
*5c on 10c, No.122 .05
*5c on 10c, No.123 .40
*5c on 20c, No.125 .15
*5c on 30c, No.126 .04
*5c on 30c, No.127 .04
*5c on 60c, No.128 .04
*5c on 60c, No.129 .04
*5c, No. 130 ... .05
*5c, No. 131 .... .10
1p, No. 132c ... .22
10c, No. 135 ... .05
*60c, No. 136a. 1.10
1p, No. 137 .... .50
*2p, No. 138 ... .25
*2p, No. 139 ... .25
*5p, No. 140 ... .70
5p, No. 140 .... .70
*5p, No. 141 ... .70
*10p, No. 142 .. 1.50
*10p, No. 143 .. 1.50

PERU.

1862-74
1d, No. 14 .... .05
10c, No. 17 .... .07
*1c, No. 21 .... .05
*2c, No. 22a .... .15
5c, No. 23 ..... .03

1880-89
*1c, No. 28 .... .10
5c, No. 31 ..... .08
1c, No. 34 ..... .06
*1c, No. 53 .... .04
*2c, No. 54 .... .03
10c, No. 57 .... .02
*20c, No. 58 .... 5.00
*1c, No. 60 .... .03
5c on 10c, No. 136 .08

1901-7
10c, No. 148 .... .03
20c, No. 149 ... .03
1s, No. 151 .... .15
*1c on 25c, No.155 .03
1c, No. 156 .... .07
2c, No. 157 .... .07
5c, No. 158 .... .07
10c, No. 159 .... .10
20c, No. 160 .... .30
3c, No. 168 .... .05
20c, No. 171 ... .03
50c, No. 172 .... .12

1908-9
*1c, No. 174 ... .02
*2c, No. 175 ... .07
*5c, No. 176 ... .25
*10c, No. 177 .. .12
*20c, No. 178 .. .15
*50c, No. 179 .. .30
*1s, No. 180 ... .40
*1c, No. 181 ... .02
2c, No. 182 .... .03
*5c, No. 184 ... .07

1911-17
1c, No. 194 .... .02
2c, No. 195 .... .02
3c, No. 196 .... .05
3c, No. 206 .... .04
4c, No. 207 .... .02

PARAGUAY.

*20p, No. 144 .. 3.10
*20p, No. 145 .. 3.10
*5c on 1c, No. 146 .04
*5c on 1c, No.146a .50
*5c on 2c, No.147 .04
*5c on 2c, No.147a .90
*5c on 60c, No.148 .06
*5c on 60c, No.149 .05
*5c on 60c, No.150 .04
*5c on28c, No.151 1.25
*5c on28c, No.151 1.25
*5c on 40c, No.152 .70
*20c on 1c, No.153 .15
*20c on 2c, No. 153b 1.00
*20c on 2c, No.154 1.20
20c on 30c, No.155 .07
*20c on 30c, No. 156 ..... 1.20
*5c on 10c, No.158 .04
*5c on 20c, No.159 .30
*5c on 20c, No.160 .40
*5c on 30c, No.161 .04
*5c on 30c, No.162 .05
*5c on 60c, No.163 .07
*5c on 60c, No.164 .07
*5c on 60c, No.165 .80
*5c on 20c, No.169 1.35
*20c on 5c, No.170a 1.20
*5c on 20c, No.170b .75
*1c on 1p, No. 171 .25
*1c on 1p, No. 172 .25
*1c, No. 174 .... .02
*5c, No. 175 ... .02
*10c, No. 176 .. .04
*20c, No. 177 ... .06
30c, No. 178 .... .07
60c, No. 179 ... .10
1p, No. 180 ... .15

1909
*1c, No. 181 ... .02
*1c, No. 182 .... .02
*5c, No. 183 ... .02
*5c, No. 184 ... .02
10c, No. 185 ... .03
*10c, No. 186 .. .03
20c, No. 187 .... .06
20c, No. 188 .... .06
*30c, No. 189 ... .07
*30c, No. 190 .. .07

1910-13
5c, No. 192 .... .02
10c, No. 193 .. .03
20c, No. 194 .... .05
*2c, No. 198 ... .02
5c, No. 199 .... .02
10c, No. 200 ... .03
20c on 50c, No.204 .05
*5c, No. 207 ... .02
*10c, No. 208 .. .02
*20c, No. 209 .. .03
40c, No. 211 .. .06
*1p 25c, No. 217 .20
*3p, No. 319.... .38

1901-8 Official.
*2c, No. 342 ... .06
1c, No. 349 .... .02
2c, No. 350 .... .02
*20c, No. 353 .. .07
30c, No. 354 .... .06
*1c, No. 356 ... .12
*2c, No. 357 ... .10
*1c, No. 359 ... .12
*10c, No. 364 .. .12
*1c, No. 365 .. .15

1904 Postage Due.
*4c, No. 402 ... .06
*10c, No. 403 .. .10
*20c, No. 404 .. .15

PERU.

*1c, No. 60c .. 3.00
*5c, No. 61 .... .03
*50c, No. 62.... .10
*50c, No. 63.... .10
*1s, No. 64 .... .25
*10c, No. 69 ... .06
*50c, No. 72 ... 1.00
*1c, No. 86 .... .30
*1c, No. 87 .... .40
*1c, No. 95 .... .15
*2c, No. 96 .... .20
5c, No. 103 .... .05
*50c, No. 114 .. .38
*1s, No. 115 ... .15
*1c, No. 116 .... .07
*10c, No. 117a.. .05

1894-95
*1c, No. 119 ... .02
*1c, No. 119a .. 1.00
*2c, No. 120 .... .03
*2c, No. 120a .. .03
*2c, No. 121 .... .02
*5c, No. 122a .. .50
*10c, No. 123 .. .02
50c, No. 124 ... .15
*2c, No. 125 .... .03
5c, No. 131 .... .04
*10c, No. 132 .. .03
*10c, No. 137 .. .15
*20c, No. 138 .. .23
*1s, No. 140 ... 2.25

1896-98
10c, No. 144 .... .02
20c, No. 145 ... .02
50c, No. 146 ... .07
1s, No. 147 .... .13
2s, No. 148 .... .25
*2s, No. 148 ... .45
1c, No. 150 .... .04
2c, No. 151 .... .03
5c, No. 152 .... .04

1900-12
10c, No. 159 .... .02
22c, No. 160 ... .15
*22c, No. 160 .. .30
*22c, No. 164 .. .05
12c, No. 165 ... .02
1c on 12c, No. 166 .03
4c, No. 170 .... .08
10c, No. 172 ... .02
4c, No. 149 .... .02
10c, No. 181 ... .02
12c, No. 182 ... .02
20c, No. 183 ... .03
50c, No. 184 ... .06
1s, No. 185 .... .10
*8c on 12c, No.186 .10

1915
*2c on 12c, No.189 .06
*1c on 1c, No. 190 .30
*1c on 2c, No. 191 .50
*1c on 4c, No. 192 .75
*1c on 10c, No.193 .06
*2c on20c, No.194 1.50
*2c on 50c, No.195 .75

1916
*1c on 2c, No. 196 .02
*1c on 20c, No.197 .02
*1c on 50c, No.198 .02
*2c on 4c, No. 199 .03
*1c on 1c, No.200c 1.00
*1c, No. 201 .... .02

URUGUAY.

1883-88
5c, No. 52, ... .12
*10c, No. 53 ... .07
5c, No. 56 ..... .30
1c, No. 57 ..... .07
1c, No. 58 ..... .03
2c, No. 59 ..... .04
5c, No. 66 ..... .03
10c, No. 70 .... .20

1889-92
5c, No. 73 ..... .12
7c, No. 77 ..... .22
*1c, No. 83 .... .10
5c, No. 84 ..... .07
*1c on 20c, No. 85 .16
5c on 7c, No. 86 .08

1895-98
7c, No. 105 .... .75
5c, No. 114 .... .10
1c, No. 116 .... .04
5c, No. 117 .... .06
2c, No. 120 .... .03
7c, No. 122 .... .25
2p, No. 128 .... .60
3p, No. 129 .... .60
1c, No. 130 .... .25
5c, No. 132 .... .45
*½c on 1c, No. 135 .03
*½c on 1c, No. 136 .04
*½c on 2c, No. 137 .10

VENEZUELA.

1859-75
*½r, No. 1 .... .30
*1r, No. 3 ..... .75
*2r, No. 4 .... .45
*½r, No. 5 .... .90
*½r, No. 8 ..... .50
½r, No. 16 .... .30
½r, No. 17 ..... .30
*1c, No. 20a .. .10
*2c, No. 21a .. .75
½r, No. 22a .... .07
*1r, No. 28 .... .40

1882
*5c, No. 54 .... .02
*10c, No. 55 .... .02
*25c, No. 56 .... .02
*50c, No. 57 .... .02
*1b, No. 58 .... .03
*10c, No. 60 .... .02
*50c, No. 62 .... .02
*1b, No. 63 .... .02
*3b, No. 67 .... .02

1887-93
25c, No. 70 .... .15
5c, No. 71 ..... .06
25c, No. 72 .... .20
*5c, No. 76 .... .03
*5c, No. 76a ... .12
*25c, No. 77 .... .03
*1b on 25c, No. 84 .65
*5c, No. 90 .... .02
*25c, No. 91 .... .03
*1b, No. 93 .... .20
*10c, No. 95 .... .02
*25c, No. 96 .... .04
*50c, No. 97 .... .05
10c, No. 106 ... .02
25c, No. 107 ... .02
50c, No. 108 ... .03
1b, No. 109 .... .03
*2c on 50c, No.202 .04
*10c, No. 203 .. .10
*2c on 1c, No. 204 .25
*2c on 10c, No.206 .05
*2c on 50c, No.207 .04

1917
1c on 4c, No. 208 .04
*1c, No. 209 ... .02
*2c, No. 210 ... .02
10c, No. 214 .. .03
12c, No. 215 .. .03
20c, No. 216 .. .03
50c, No. 217 .. .10
1s, No. 218 .... .15
2s, No. 219 .... .75

1911 Special.
10c, No. 296 ... 1.00

1874 Postage Due.
*1c, No. 301 ... .03
5c, No. 302 .... .04
*5c, No. 302a... .03
10c, No. 303 ... .03

1883
*1c, No. 316 .. .03
5c, No. 317 .... .10
10c, No. 318 ... .10
20c, No. 319 ... .10
50c, No. 320 ... .15

1897-99
5c, No. 329 .... .05
*20c, No. 331... .13
*50c, No. 332 .. .15
*1s, No. 333.... .30
*5s, No. 334 ... 1.50

1902
*5c on 10s, No.336 .10
*1c on 20c, No.337 .07
*1c on 10s, No.339 .20
5c, No. 341 .... .05
50c, No. 343 ... .09

Official.
*1c, No. 451 ... .10
*2c, No. 452 ... .10
*5c, No. 453 ... .40
*10c, No. 454 ... .10
20c, No. 455 ... .35
*2c, No. 461 ... .20
*2c, No. 469 ... 1.00
*5c, No. 470 ... .75
*20c, No. 471 .. .75
*1c, No. 472 ... .03
10c, No. 473 ... .12
*50c, No. 474 ... .15
10c, No. 475 ... .04
1c, No. 476 .... .02
10c, No. 477 ... .04

1894-95
*½c on 7c, No. 139 .15
5m, No. 140 ... .03
*5m, No. 142 ... .02

1900-1
20c, No. 149 ... .10
5c on 10c, No. 150 .25
10c, No. 153 ... .05
2c, No. 154 .... .02
2c, No. 154a ... .02
7c, No. 155 .... .08
*7c, No. 155 .. .12

1904-9
10c, No. 164 .... .06
20c, No. 165 ... .15
25c, No. 166.... .15
50c, No. 173 .... .30
*2c, No. 177 .... .25
5c, No. 178 .... .30
8c on 10c, No. 179 .06

1910-11
*2c, No. 182 .... .08
*5c, No. 183 ... .15
*5m on 1c, No.184 .06
1p, No. 195 .... .18
*5c on 7c, No.198 .20

Postage Due.
1c, No. 281 .... .15
2c, No. 282 .... .07
4c, No. 283 .... .07
10c, No. 284 ... .25

VENEZUELA.
25c, No. 118 ... .05

1900
*50c, No. 133 ... .02
*1b, No. 134 ... .03
*2b, No. 135 ... .05
*25c, No. 138 .. .02
*50c, No. 139... .02
*1b, No. 140 ... .02
*3b, No. 141 ... .03
10b, No. 142 .. .30
*20b, No. 143 .. .22
50c, No. 152 .. .03
*1b, No. 153.... .02
5c, No. 154 .... .02
10c, No. 155 ... .02
25c, No. 156 ... .02

1901-5
*50c, No. 161... .02
*1b, No. 162 .. .50
*3b, No. 163 .. .22
*50c, No. 184 .. .60
*5c, No. 224 ... .15
*10c, No. 225 .. .15
*5c on 50c, No.230 .02
*5c on50c, No.230b .05

1904-6
10c, No. 232 .. .02
*15c, No. 233 ... .03
25c, No. 234... .02
*50c, No. 235 .. .03
*1b, No. 236 ... .05
*10c, No. 238... .02
*25c, No. 239... .03
*50c, No. 240 .. .05
*3b, No. 242 ... .13
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There is one chapter which is missing from the postal history of the United States, and during the coming few years it is going to be written. It is the story of the cancellations which postmasters individually placed on postage stamps in the days before the Government standardized cancellations.

Postage stamps were first issued by the United States Government in 1847, and from that year until about 1882—the exact time when the period terminated is uncertain—postmasters were permitted to obliterate the unused stamps on mail matter about in any way they desired.

So it is that many curious types of cancellations were produced. No endeavor has been made before now to check up these cancellations—to discover, if possible, how many varieties there are and where and exactly when the numerous types were issued. The object of the task under way is so that these early cancellations may be arranged in logical sequence for the benefit of not only stamp collectors of to-day but for future generations of philatelists who will specialize in United States stamps in the days when general collecting will be unpopular because by that time so many hundreds of thousands of stamps will have been issued that collectors will despair trying to assemble them all. It is a fact that to-day finds more specialists than ever before. Some collect United States stamps only, others those only of the world war and the reconstruction era; some want postal adhesives issued during only the Nineteenth Century, and others collect labels issued only since 1900; some specialize in Great Britain and colonies, and so it goes.

When the research work among early United States cancellations has been partly completed, it will be placed in book form. From year to year, as discoveries of unchronicled cancellations are made, the volume will be revised and reissued. It will be probably many years before the book will approach anywhere near its final edition.

The thought has long been in the minds of many United States specialists to compile the necessary information to go into such a book, but the labor has seemed to be an endless one, and the expense will not be a small one. The project now is in the hands of J. A. Ritchie, of New York City, a specialist in United States stamps. He has undertaken it through his desire, as a student of the subject to know all there is to know about his country's postal adhesives. He has been assured of the support of leading philatelists in all parts of the country and will have access not only to stocks of stamps in the possession of professional dealers but to many noted collections of early United States issues. With these sources of information at his disposal, Mr. Ritchie's task should be productive of a volume worth while not alone from the philatelist's viewpoint, but a book of general interest and one which should find a place in every public library.

All stamp collectors in the country—and indeed throughout the world—who have early United States issues in their possession are urged to make a study of the cancellations and compile a detailed list for Mr. Ritchie's perusal. This list, accompanied by ink or pencil drawings of the cancellations, should be sent forward to Mr. Ritchie at his New York City address—2305 Andrews Avenue. Varieties which Mr. Ritchie may learn of through these co-operative channels and which are different from the ones he has already compiled in his growing list, will be placed under their proper headings and will be illustrated in the book.

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place, there were some 60,000 town and city cancellations employed before the Government introduced a mechanical cancelling device. Moreover, in some cities each succeeding postmaster used a different type of cancellation. Also, the cancelling ink was sometimes black, sometimes red, sometimes blue or green or orange or yellow. Some postmasters used whittled bits of wood or cork, and some used other inking contrivances. And these devices stamped many various figures upon the stamps.

The Mississippi steamboat postal clerks made different kinds of cancellations than did the postal employees on ocean and lake vessels. Nearly every railroad had its own type of cancellation. Consular offices received letters with stamps bearing distinctive cancellations.

The postmasters let their fancies dictate the types of cancellation in many instances—and some of the fancies were weird, as illustrated by the discovery of an obliteration mark the design of which is a barrel with the word "gin" inscribed in it. Some postmasters imprinted their own monograms upon the stamps; others favored designs which included a mule in the act of kicking; skull and cross bones; anchors; shields; stars; concentric circles, bees and flies, flowers and leaves; human heads; elephants and other animals; Masonic emblems; maltese and other crosses; and now and then a silk hat. These are only a few.

A few postmasters contented themselves merely with a word or two of official authority. Cancellations used by these usually comprised the inscription "Free" or "Paid". It is a curious circumstance that exactly one cancellation has been discovered which consists of the words "Used Up". Because of the rarity of this type of obliteration, the adhesive recently found with the imprint brought a price of $7.50; whereas, the same stamp with one of the common types of cancellation is worth only one cent.

So it is conceivable that the day will come when, with Mr. Ritchie's book in the hands of collectors, the value of many of the early issues of the United States may be determined in part by the type of cancellation upon it. The rarer the type, the higher will be the stamp's philatelic worth.

The American collecting world will welcome the publication of Mr. Ritchie's volume, and philatelists are hopeful that the Post Office authorities in Washington will decide to co-operate with him by placing at his disposal the early postal records, so that the book will be as nearly authentic as it is humanly possible to make it.

BAVARIAN REPUBLIC ON GERMANY.

All the current German stamps to one mark have been surcharged "Freistaat Bayern" in two lines. The writer has received 13 varieties, which include the new 35 pfennig, brown orange, and 75 pfennig, deep green and black. The denominations are 2½, 3, 5, 7½, 10, 15, 20, 25, 35, 40, 75, 80, and 1 mark. The 10 pfennig has apparently been printed from a new plate, as the impression is extremely coarse, and quite different from that of the original Germania 10's.

I have been informed that the above are already obsolete, as the surcharge was made pending the time that the regular Bavarian issue should be surcharged "Freistaat" instead of "Volkstaat," as at first.—CHAS. S. THOMPSON.

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This firm was composed of William N. and N. Penrose Allen. They were in the fertilizer business on the Delaware River water front in Philadelphia at 124 S. Delaware Avenue. The Philadelphia directories of the period do not mention any business in connection with them other than fertilizers except for the year 1883 when their business is given as fertilizers and matches. This exactly corresponds with the time their stamp was in use.

The writer is quite certain they did not manufacture any matches on Delaware Avenue but whether or not they had a factory elsewhere or were merely selling agents for a manufacturer he cannot say.

The Boston Book gives the following data:—

First issued, April 29, 1882.
Last issued, March 7, 1883.
210 stamps per sheet, (14x15).
2,730,000 issued in blue on watermarked paper.

The stamp was one of the later Bureau productions and well deserves the popularity it has always enjoyed. The design is particularly appropriate, consisting of a circular band enclosing a hand holding a lighted match with "Matches" in large capitals arched over the circle. The four straight marginal labels read "J. J. Allen's Sons." (top), "One Cent" (bottom), "U. S. Inter. Rev." (left) and "Philadelphia, Pa." at right. A numeral "1" is found in a small circle in each lower corner and the whole design is in the form of an upright rectangle of the usual size.

Evidently there were few printings. The entire issue was only 13,000 sheets, and there is little variation in shade. Of the match stamps priced at half a dollar or less this is one of the most difficult to obtain in prime condition, off center copies being the rule. Multiple use of this stamp has not been noted, and pairs are difficult to find.

TWIN TESTIMONIALS.

We are greatly pleased at the many letters we are receiving that deal sympathetically with our recent raise in subscription price. On Nov. 20 we received a letter from E. Kellogg Trowbridge, enclosing a remittance of $5 for five years' renewal, and this in the face of the fact that his subscription has over a year to run at the old rate. We quote from his letter:—"Your decision was not unexpected, but as an evidence of my interest in the WEEKLY I am pleased to enclose a remittance of $5 for which you may extend my subscription five years from the date of expiration."

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

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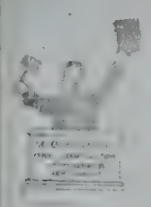

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Bulgaria 1915, No. 130, 30st orange... .25
Turkey 1914, No. 277, 1 on 1½pi ..... .15
Bavaria Republic 1919, 3pf-1M, 14 var. 1.25
Austria 1913, No. 144, 72 heller ..... .06
Wurtemberg Offic'l, 2 on 2½ & 35, 4 var. .75
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CHAPTER VII.—*The Bisected Cents Stamps.*

The 2c is known bisected and each half used for 1c and the 3c, 4c and 6c are also known cut into halves and each portion used for half its original value. There could have been no necessity for any of these bisections with the possible exception of the 3c to make up some odd rate but as they were hardly made for philatelic purposes and were not questioned by postal officials they are all of the greatest interest and, we may add, of considerable rarity.

REFERENCE LIST.

2c blue. Diagonal half used as 1c.
3c rose. Diagonal half used as 1½c.
4c green. Diagonal half used as 2c.
6c black. Diagonal half used as 3c.
6c black. Vertical half used as 3c.
6c black. Horizontal half used as 3c.

CHAPTER VIII.—*Bogus and Counterfeit Varieties.*

In chronicling the cents series of stamps in July, 1872, the *Stamp Collector's Magazine* made mention of a 10 cents value said to have been printed in rosy mauve and also illustrated this value. A question was raised as to its color being the same as the 12c but M. Moens, who had originally listed the variety, later stated the description of color was correct and expressed his belief in the genuineness of the specimens in his possession. An appeal to the postal authorities of the Island showed that no such value had been issued or contemplated and it is, therefore, to be presumed that this bogus variety emanated from the same source as a fraudulent 4c which appeared much about the same time.

This fraudulent 4 cents, green, was mentioned in the *Stamp Collector's Magazine* for September, 1872, as being a very dangerous forgery, and a minute description of the differences between the genuine and counterfeit was given. The stamp was later said to have been made by Allan Taylor of Boston, and as it was denounced before many could have been marketed, this counterfeit is nowadays an extremely rare one.

CHAPTER IX.—*Remainders.*

When the decimal currency was introduced quite a large number of the pence stamps remained on hand and these were stored at the Treasury until 1874, when, together with the remainders of the cents issue, they were offered for sale. Mr. King gives an interesting description of these stamps which was supplied to an intending purchaser by the Provincial Treasurer:—

"TREASURER'S OFFICE, CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I.
14th March, 1874.

Mr. John Bell, Charlottetown.

Dear Sir,—I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 12th inst. requesting P. E. Island stamps. We shall be happy to receive an offer from you for the whole or any portion of them, and for your information I beg to refer you to the enclosed memorandum of the approximate quantity and description of the stamps we now hold. Applications have been made for the purchase of the entire lot.

I am, Dear Sir,
Your obedient servant
(Signed) ARTHUR NEWBERRY."

Memorandum of the approximate quantity and description of old P. E. I. Postage Stamps on hand at the Treasury March 14th, 1874.

Issue of 1860-69.

241,000	2d face value	£2008	6	8	
226,000	3d face value	2836	13	4	
277,000	4d face value	4616	13	4	
42,600	4½d face value	798	15	0	
21,000	6d face value	525	0	0	
100,000	9d face value	3750	0	0	
		£14535	8	4	
					$47,159.00
143,000	Mixed stamps 1871 issue				$8,877.00

Issue of 1872.

124,500	1c face value	$1,245.00	
5,000	2c face value	100.00	
10,000	3c face value	300.00	
94,000	4c face value	3,760.00	
162,000	6c face value	9,720.00	
165,000	12c face value	19,800.00	
			$43,802.00

1,509,000 stamps, total value, face, $90,961.00

No 1d stamps are mentioned but as there were a large number of these in the stock when sold they must have been included with the "Mixed stamps". The numbers, etc., were evidently "approximate" for the face value of the 3d does not correspond with the number of stamps and the total number of stamps does not agree with the several items tabulated! The entire lot of remainders was sold for the very low sum of $1100.00.

CHAPTER X.—*Cancellations.*

A study of catalogue quotations will show that with the exception of the perf. 9 varieties, used Prince Edward Island stamps are, generally speaking, much rarer than the unused ones. Consequently used specimens must be purchased with caution. Mr. King has published some interesting notes on the subject of Prince Edward Island cancellations and as the value of these is obvious to the collector of used we cannot do better than reproduce his notes in full:—

"The scarcity of used stamps of this Colony has induced the stamp faker to try to supply the deficiency with forged cancellations on the remainders so that a description of the genuine cancellations most commonly met with may be of service. The earliest form was an unframed oval, composed of ten or eleven horizontal bars, measuring about 1¼ by ¾ of an inch; this is the only cancellation (except pen) that is found on the series perf. 9, and was used at the larger offices only. Pen cancelled specimens are from the country and 'way' offices. In Charlottetown, for a number of years, a canceller was in use similar to the ordinary colonial type, that is, a hollow oval made of three horizontal and two vertical bars, and the number '13' in the centre.

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This was used as late as 1870, but from 1868 to that date it is uncommon. These are the two types most commonly found on the pence series, excepting the 4d and 4½d, of which values the cancellation is described later. Specimens with dated postmarks are rare; of the first issue I have only seen two copies, bearing those of 'Summerside' and 'Prince Edward Island'. They are very large, measuring 1¼ inch in diameter; the first was used at the town of that name and the latter at Charlottetown. There is a second type of the 'Prince Edward Island' postmark, measuring only ⅞ of an inch in diameter, which was used as late as 1870 in Charlottetown, and apparently at the same time as the 'Charlottetown' postmark. In 1870 a stamp was in use in Charlottetown combining a postmark and obliterator in one piece; the cancelling portion was a very small circle, only ½ an inch in diameter, and could not have been in use long, as it does not appear on the decimal issue.

The rarest cancellation is the "Paid" postmark that was in use before the introduction of postage stamps; this was a circular stamp with the name of the office at the top, "P. E. I." at the bottom, and "Paid" in a straight line in the centre, thus "Tignish, Paid, P. E. I." I have seen three offices only, viz., Lot 11, Lot 16 and Tignish. When impressed on the envelope the date was written in. The above are what may be called official cancellers; the other shapes in use throughout the Island were due to the individual taste of the postmaster, the Department issuing a wooden handle with a cork in it, which the postmaster cut to any shape that pleased him, and, as it wore away, or became disfigured, changed the design. These cork cancellers were not issued until late in the 'sixties.

On the decimal series there are none that can be called official types, excepting dated marks; even in the capital the cork was in use, but there are several types that are commonly met with, and a description of them may be a guide to collectors. These types are: Three concentric circles measuring (the outside edge) ¾ of an inch in diameter; this was used at Montague Bridge. A five-pointed star, measuring about ¾ inch from point to point. A solid triangle, about half an inch from top to bottom; this design is also found with two pieces cut out of it, a cut across and a vertical one running from the first to the base, leaving the points untouched. A circle of five bars with the centre cut out square, leaving a vacant space of about ¼ by ½ inch in size. A circle of eight horizontal bars, four of which have five vertical cuts across them, making the impression half lines and half dots. An oval of the ordinary colonial type, measuring an inch long by three-quarters of an inch wide, made of three horizontal lines for the top and bottom and two vertical lines for the ends, the centre having the capital letters "P. E. I." This canceller was used at Charlottetown, and the cover it was on was mailed late in 1872.

I have a specimen of the 1c with a cancellation somewhat resembling the colonial one; it is almost a circle, made of three horizontal and two vertical bars, with the capital letter "A" in the centre. The impression is very distinct, and it is certainly from a new die, as the lines of part of the "A" are very fine, and if it had been in use long would have shown signs of wear. The cancellation is beyond suspicion, as I removed the stamp from a piece of the circular it had prepaid; it is the only copy I have seen with this cancellation. The shape of this canceller is different from the ordinary colonial type, whereas the one with "13" in centre is similar in all respects to them.

If the specimens of the pence series have the cancellation described, one can be reasonably sure that they are genuine; this applies to all values except the 4d and 4½d, nearly all copies that I have seen of these bearing the nondescript cork cancellation; the last value I have also seen date stamped. The same rule may be applied to the decimal issue, but it would be very much more difficult to complete a set from the described types, as the nondescript cancellers are so common, making the stamps with their impressions the ones most often met with. A great many are found cancelled with pen and ink; these are not necessarily fraudulent, as it was the practice in "way" offices to cancel thus; and the larger offices, to which these letters were forwarded, were supposed to properly obliterate the stamps, but in many cases this was not done. The bulk of the used stamps (particularly the decimal issue) of this Colony have a nondescript sort of cancellation without much shape of any kind, and easily imitated. Unfortunately the remainders are so common that there is no lack of stock for the faker to try his skill on. Used copies of the 2d, 3d and 4d on thick, rough paper, should be taken with caution, as they are rare in that condition, the third value especially so; and as the remainders of these values are all on this paper they are the only kind that can be fraudulently cancelled.

The 2c and 4c are also values that should be well authenticated, as they are rare used—much more so than is generally supposed.

However, in this, as in similar cases, a genuinely used stamp has an appearance that it is almost impossible to imitate, and the expert can usually distinguish between the true and the false."

NOTES FROM JAPAN.

By R. YOKOHORI.

The new ordinary stamps, 6, 8, 30 and 50 sen, were issued August 16 because of the revised rates for postage on parcels. I wrote you previously that the 6 and 8 sen are in the type of the current 4 sen, and the 30 and 50 sen values are in the type of the current 1 yen. The perforations are the same as the other current values, viz:—12x12½ or 13x13½, by comb machines. Perforation 12 by single line machine has not been found so far. Collectors of Japanese stamps will note that the 30 sen value has been revived after a lapse of more than forty years, the last issue dating back to 1877. We are very sorry that the two high values were not printed in two colors as is the current 1 yen stamp, and consequently they are ill spoken of as the most mediocre among about 150 kinds so far issued for the use of our postal service.

October 16 the 68th regular meeting of our Tokyo society, the Yuraku-Kwai, was held and the new aero stamps came up for consideration as to number issued and their probable market price. It is reported that almost all stamp dealers in Japan have decided to sell the set of two for $1 U. S. money, but we believe that the issue is so small that this price will not hold long. The Department of Communications has refrained from making public the number of aero stamps issued, but we have good reason to believe that the number is 80,000 of each, 50,000 for Tokyo and 30,000 for Osaka. The aerial mail service, which came to an end on account of long-continued bad weather, made a second trial, but the three aeronauts who participated were forced to suspend their flight on account of a dense fog. No special stamps were provided but a special cancellation and a set of commemorative picture post cards were issued for this second flight. Yet another attempt will be made.

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—M. Ohlman mentions a notable price attained at his last sale held Nov. 15. A Lagos 10sh Edward catalogued by Scott at $50 sold in the room at $50.50.

—*W. R. McC.*—We thank you for the suggestion and can no doubt arrange to publish lists of U. S. plate numbers.

—In the issue of Nov. 1 credit for information was given in the Chronicle to W. S. Kinsel, Seattle, Wash. This was an error, and the name should have been E. C. Kinsel.

—The Imperial Stamp Co., San Francisco, are with us again after several months. The firm has a down town office at 773 Market St.

—W. F. Van Malder is journeying from Boston to Miami, Fla., by motorcycle. We have a word from him at Columbia, S. C., while en route.

—Victor Marsh has just bought the valuable philatelic library of Major Edw. B. Evans, who, for many years, edited *Stanley Gibbons' Monthly Journal.* For the most part the publications are in the English language, and the library may be described as an eminently useful one from the point of view of separate works as well as long and complete runs of periodicals. The works generally are bound and everything is in the finest possible condition.

—"Here's a new issue note re 'Narcotics.' I don't believe you have published anything about them. There are FOUR 1c RIBBONS, of the following sizes:—¼"x1½ in.; ⅜"x2½ in.; ½"x 4 in. and ¾"x6 in. I have not seen them but they are listed on requisitions, and notice is given that tax on narcotics above 1c must be paid by affixing the surcharged documentaries."—CHAS. S. THOMPSON.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from H. H. Dunham, Ernest Heberlein, John H. Feeman.

—A most remarkable article appears in the Detroit *Free Press* of Sunday, Nov. 23. It is without doubt a syndicated article and its appearance in this paper indicates that it will be used in other American papers. The title of the article is "Collectors of Stamps Thrive", written by Patrick O'Flaherty. This is the first time we have heard of Mr. O'Flaherty, but the work that he has done will give him a favorable introduction to stamp collectors. Three columns of the *Free Press* are used and there is a picture of F. J. Melville. The Neurope issues have the right of way. The article is copyrighted.

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Renewals—The returns are now coming in; and it has relieved us greatly, so susceptible are we to the views and opinions of readers, to find that the majority of them who have expressed themselves on the subject of the recent raise in subscription rate have commended it. A few interpose that it was inadvisable to raise the price to a dollar from fifty cents but no one has said that an added price was unjustified. Any half-way measure would have been a stop-gap only and by adopting the present price, we feel that while we are out of the woods, we shall not stop just now to hurrah about it. Mr. H. E. Deats, Flemington, New Jersey, A. P. S. 36, writes: "Glad to see you faced the music and put up the subscription price to one dollar." Further, Mr. Deats says: "On page 422, November 15th issue, you tell W. M. W. that you do not know where he can get odd numbers of Volume One of your paper. If I happen to have what he wants, he can have the numbers very reasonably." Here is kindly co-operation for you.

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Easy—A correspondent relays a "problem of conduct" from the *British Weekly*, before which the mind of the layman reels with anguish, but the philatelist, on the contrary, airily puffs it away without stopping in the act of licking a stamp hinge: "Miss Burnham-Patrick, of Crosslee, incessantly receives chatty picture postcards from her third cousin's wife, Mrs. Cuthbert, who lives in India, and whom she has never seen. The postcards are insufficiently stamped, and do not interest Miss Burnham-Patrick, who answers a few. She does not wish to offend Mrs. Cuthbert but cannot afford to go on paying excess postage. What should Miss Burnham-Patrick do?" In the first place no one who can afford to sport a hyphenated name surely would begrudge a few pennies a week, say, for postage due,—but what we started to say was that she should tell her Indian correspondent to write oftener but to be sure to use a number of the stamps of smallest denomination on her cards. In that way, the stamps together with the British postage due stamps would be worth a little more perhaps than the amount of postage due expended. It is a relief to hear that the Americans are not accused of postage shortage this time, as they have enough to answer for in sending foreign letters at the domestic rate, as it is.

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History—In the *American Journal of Numismatics*, published annually by the American Numismatic Society, New York, price five dollars, is an article of some moment to stamp collectors. The contribution which is by Henry Russell Drowne is headed "U. S. Postage Stamps as Necessity War Money," and we notice that Mr. Drowne names Hiram E. Deats and Charles L. Moreau as among those to whom he is indebted "for valuable assistance and co-operation" in his search for material. Two pages of plates dignify the study and thirteen different styles of envelopes that were used to enclose fractional parts of a dollar in unused postage stamps are shown. The writer, after telling of the greatly restricted circulation of metal money soon after the outbreak of the Civil War when the prospect of a protracted struggle between North and South became a grim reality, well said that the fulfilment of a plan to supply small change was the business demand of the hour. Car tickets and match tickets were pressed into service but unused postage stamps as a sort of sign manual of the government represented the maximum of security in the public mind. As indicating how commonly the postage stamps of the day, the 1861 issue, were in use as money, the following paragraph from the report of the postmaster-general, December, 1862, is of interest: "In the first quarter of the current year, ending September 20th, the number of stamps issued to postmasters was one hundred and four million dollars; there were calls for about two hundred millions, which would have been nearly sufficient to meet the usual demands for the year. This extraordinary demand arose from the temporary use of these stamps as a currency for the public in lieu of the smaller denominations of specie, and ceased with the introduction of the so-called postal currency." As we have followed rather closely at different times in the past in this column the employment of unused postage stamps as money, we shall proceed at once to what is an unfamiliar phase of the subject and that is the containers for the stamps in the shape of small envelopes. To quote: "The stamps used for money became quickly soiled and defaced and for their better protection, as well as for convenience of assembling them in stated amounts, little envelopes to hold them were made." Even the use of these envelopes was soon discarded as often the stamps stuck to the sides of the envelopes; and they were soon forgotten. Now, the historian rescues them for a day of glory.

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Covers—Ninety separate issues, let us say, of envelopes are recorded, the imprints on the convenient little holders which invariably mentioned U. S. postage stamps having included the names of stationers (which lead all the rest), printers, theatres, hotels, etc. Here is a typical legend on the envelopes which were the fore-runners of the metal encased postage stamps of the Gault patent: "U. S. Postage Stamps. 25 Cts. National Express Company, 74 Broadway, N. Y. Troy, Albany, Northern N. Y., Vermont, Massachusetts & Canada." Mr. Drowne says: "The custom of using envelopes for stamps seems to have been confined almost entirely to our large cities and after several years of careful search, the writer has so far located them in New York City, Albany, Brooklyn and Jersey City but he has been informed that some few were made and used in Philadelphia." The denominations found were 10, 13, 15, 20, 25, 30, 50 and 75 cents. Before dismissing this interesting if not particularly consequential study by Mr. Drowne, we take this bit of marginalia: "From the use of postage stamps as money in 1861-1862, bank notes, greenbacks, fractional currency and any other paper money have since been frequently alluded to as *stamps*."

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Seen—In our issue of July 26th, we said: "The strip stamps for the payment of the tax on drugs and preparations under the Harrison Narcotic Law are being distributed, presumably, as they are promised for delivery on July 1st, 1919." Through the kindness of Mr. George Soulman we now have seen the one cent purple of which there are four sizes measuring 2½ by ⅜ inches. The one cent and other denominations of strip stamps will render the use of overprinted documentary stamps unnecessary. The same reader shows an envelope from Mersina, Cilicea, bearing the rubber-stamped registration inscription of Turkey, the Paris postmark and a block of four of the five pi., Palestine stamps. Heretofore letters from Mersina have been prepaid with stamps of Cilicea. Pending definitive stamps for Cilicea and other of the new national entities, it is possible that variations in the use of stamps will be found.

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By ARTHUR BRUCE MOSS.

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It might be asked—Is stamp [illegible] a science? The answer would have to be, no. If it should be asked—Is there anything in science applicable to stamp collecting? The answer would be, [illegible] It is the applicati[illegible] which is being considered at the Maryland Academy of Sciences. In the first place, there is the philosphy of the mental influence in collecting similar objects presented in endless varieties of artistic effort, as expressed by all nations of the earth, on an article used by every intellectual person. People who were nervous wrecks, because of mental strain, have been brought back to health, and steadiness of nerves, through the fascination of stamp collecting. People with but little inclination for intellectual effort, have, on becoming interested in stamp collecting, found something to occupy their thoughts; and have been led, from the natural human instinct which seeks to acquire and group together, to the broader influences of desire to obtain information respecting the countries, peoples and conditions under which their specimens have been issued, resulting in the development of thinking, reasoning, and investigating efforts and faculties.

Young people who collect stamps are always favorably influenced in developing their faculties for orderly arrangement, a desire to investigate, an ability to think, and an aptitude to recognize, and retain in the mind, differences of appearances, form and characteristics which leads to an acuteness of the senses, and thus imparts to them a stronger mentality to compete for success in all the struggling efforts of human affairs.

There are applications of philosphy here, conditions of mental influence well worthy of being considered. Beyond this there are the relations of stamps to ethnology, as tab marks on the progress among different peoples. We have seen the high artistic expression, and pleasing proportion in the middle period issues of the stamps of our own country, of England, the British Colonies and others. We have seen these beautiful designs degenerate to the illy proportioned, crowded, badly appearing issues during the materialistic period in the latter part of the Nineteenth, and beginning of the Twentieth Centuries, followed by the appearance of somewhat better proportioned and more pleasing recent issues. Here are ethnological indications worthy of being studied.

We have seen the crude beginnings of semi-civilized, or disorganized, countries, in their first issues of postage stamps and their better attainments in their later issues, indicating how their national life has progressed. We see the varied efforts of all the peoples of the earth to express, in an article of common use, the effects of the beautiful in adap[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [

FROM ONE PARANOIAC

TO ANOTHER.

Mr. O. U. S., Dear Sir:—Your letter is hugely enjoyed and I hope you will give me permission—(he hasn't yet)—to print my letter which caused it and your letter which caused mine. I will try to answer your letter as best I can. As you no longer have to work for a living it may be that you do not fully appreciate the amount of detailed work necessary to run a stamp business of any magnitude. My business is not a large one compared to the big fellows and the cash paid for sales do not always average $1,000 per week. As I understand it, an average is the amount of sales for a certain period divided by the time units of that period. At times my sales run over $2,000 per week—at other times they run less than $100 per week, but within the past year they have averaged over $1,000 per week for several months and I would not be at all surprised if the weekly average for the entire year 1919 averages over $1,000 per week.

Some of the stamps I sell are my own goods and some are goods placed in my hands for sale on commission. The gross commission is usually 10%. Out of that I have to pay postage and all other expenses. Also a great many of my own stamps are sold on a gross profit not exceeding 10%. I do not know what business you were ever engaged in, but I am quite certain the gross profit probably exceeded 10%, as there are few lines conducted on such a narrow margin.

If my letter gave you and your friends pleasure, I am glad of it for as long as I can write stuff that will give others pleasure to read I am assured of a livelihood and my family will not starve. I refuse, however, to take either myself or my stuff too seriously, and am often unwilling to take other people very seriously.

The "Himself" gag was started as a joke. I think I saw it on one of my western trips—perhaps it was in Denver last winter—and it sort of tickled my fancy and so I stole it. Afterward it seemed fitting for a one man show and might be helpful by letting possible customers know that their orders were not turned over to some clerk but received my own attention—such as it is. Most of those who mention it at all take it for what it was intended to be—just a little pleasantry.

Much of my advertising is not real advertising at all and is not intended to be. I have more customers than I can take care of properly and as my family object to my working more than 14 hours a day I often run ads just to amuse those who—so they write me—enjoy reading them. Probably I lose money on every stamp I sell for less than 25c—regardless of what it cost me—and so I sell as few low-priced stamps as possible. Most of my business is with customers who buy from $5 to $1,000 at a time, altho some sales are for less than $5 and some are for many times $1,000

I have my own system for carrying stock and when I have reason to believe there is not good prospect of making a substantial sale I send cards containing the stamps for which a desire has been expressed even though other stamps not called for may also be on the cards. It is much cheaper to do this than to remount and then have to remount again when the cards come back. I never send unsolicited stuff and never heard it was a breach of anything to send a stamp asked for in a book or on a card with other stamps. In punishing me by not returning the stamps you did ask to see in the manner they were sent you perhaps you will find that you are injuring yourself more than you are me. Such a trick is so petty! Most of my customers would not stoop to do such a thing. But then, most of them are men with whom it is a pleasure to do business."

(Concluded next week.)

ELLIOTT PERRY
HIMSELF.
Box 323, WESTFIELD, NEW JERSEY.

THEY TURNED TO ME.

The 3c part perf. remained in Denver over a year without a buyer, the 2c part perf. were found in Norfolk and sold to me, the 1c part perf. was found in Columbus and was offered to most every important dealer in the country, I got it. The black error envelope was found in Phila., 25 at that time and I had 12, and so on down the line. What's the answer? Am I not worth consulting when you have anything in the way of U. S. to sell?

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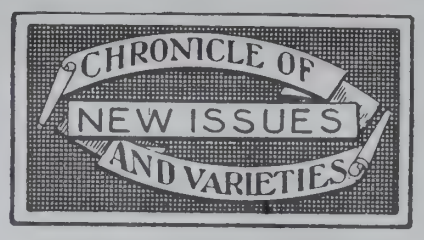

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—While visiting the Bureau several days back the subject came up of the recently issued stamps perforated 12½ on the special Rossback machine. I was informed that while experimenting on the 1c stamps, one sheet only of the 2c value was also perforated but that this sheet was destroyed. The revenue stamps that were perforated at the same time have not as yet been located, although we would not be surprised to hear of them turning up soon.

It will be recalled that in a recent chronicle your editor mentioned that the Bureau had absolutely no information whatsoever relative to any contemplated new issue of postage stamps, either regular or commemorative, during the next six months. However, a personal conversation with one of the officials of the Post Office Department has lead me to surmise that something is in the air, although I can obtain absolutely nothing definite for publication. They are considering something I feel sure, but what it is they will not say. We discussed the surcharging of the envelopes and the postals and were advised that no definite decision has as yet been reached. I was assured, however, that whatever step was taken would be the result of considering it from an economical point of view and that its philatelic bearing would not influence them in the least. This is certainly the proper attitude for the department to take and I must say that this is likely to remain their policy so long as a man of the high caliber of Mr. Fitch remains at the head of the Stamp Division.

There are a great many people throughout the country who are of the opinion that if anything special is wanted in the way of stamps it is only necessary to have influence at Washington. Some are even of the opinion that the 24c invert and others were made to order and planted. Such is far from the case and if you have ever had any dealings with those in authority you would realize that there is absolutely nothing irregular in the making and distributing of our stamps.

We are pleased to inform our readers that in the future it is our intentions of listing the plate numbers issued by the Bureau. So that the published records of these may be complete, we will start our list very shortly where the last number of the "American Philatelist" left off. Many correspondents have written asking where this information might be obtained, so for the benefit of all would state that the "Gazette" continued this listing through December, 1918, the "American Philatelist" through September, 1919, and from that point we will start.

We had the pleasure of chronicling quite recently the 2c stamp from the rotary press imperforate vertically, taken from the "compound" sheets. Mr. H. F. Colman now shows us the same stamp, Die II, printed on unwatermarked paper, imperforated horizontally. This variety is perforated 10 vertically.

1919, Rotary Press Print.

2c carmine, imperf. horizontally, perf. 10 vertically.

Mr. William J. Prinzing sends for our inspection quite an odd cover wherein the 3c postage due was collected by means of a 2c due plus the torn half of the next stamp. The postmaster was evidently out of 1c dues and used this method to take care of the deficiency.

Mr. L. E. Ashim kindly supplements the information sent us a few weeks back by Mr. E. C. Kinsel relative to the Seattle provisional narcotics. It appears from copies sent us that not only the 1c, but the 2c, 3c, 4c, 5c and 10c were also surcharged. It is quite likely other values also exist, for our correspondent states that they were surcharged just as wanted and if the manufacturer asked for other values he quite likely received them. Mr. Ashim also states that he understands that the 1c blue proprietary was similarly overprinted.

1918, Seattle Provisional Revenues

Surcharged in three lines.
"ACT—NARCOTIC—1918"
1c, 2c, 3c, 4c, 5c, 10c rose.

Mr. Charles A. Townsend sends for our inspection a copy of the 20c brown New York state revenue on a very heavy paper, resembling card board. This is the 1913 issue and Mr. Townsend says that he has seen the 10c and $2 also. On another cover we find the 10c blue 1907 without the usual overprint. We are frank in stating that we know nothing about state revenues and are therefore unable to say if these are out of the ordinary.

Quite an interesting curiosity was shown us this week by the grand nephew of the former New York Postmaster, Robert H. Morris, of 1845 fame. It seems that our correspondent some years back went over the papers of Mr. A. C. Monson, who assisted in the post office when the New York postmaster provisionals were issued. He found several checks of Mr. Monson's bearing the 1898 2c red documentary stamps and these were cancelled by the well known mss. initials "A.C.M.," which Mr. Monson in by-gone years had applied to the New York blacks.

We wish to thank Messrs. Burt C. Wear, C. A. Jenkins, Chas. C. Dargue, E. C. Kinsel, G. F. Wild and George Soulman for their interesting letters.

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BAVARIA.—In addition to the values overprinted FREISTAAT BAYERN chronicled in issue No. 1506, Mr. Allan J. Roos shows us the 2½, 7½ and 20pf surcharged in the same manner.

CZECHO-SLOVAKIA.—We take the following from the September number of the *Le Collectionneur de Timbres-Poste*:—

"We are expecting very shortly the appearance of the remaining Austrian stamps with the overprint 'Cesko-Slovenska posta 1919.' Complete sets will be extremely rare.

"In the month of October will appear the 'legionnaire' stamps, and on the 28th (anniversary of the *coup-d'état* in Bohemia) there will appear three stamps representing the Czech lion tearing off its fetters.

"There have been Hungarian stamps with the overprint 'Ceskoslovenska posta,' but they are only essays.

"There have also been innumerable provisional Postage Due stamps; there were the Austrian stamps (Charles I), overprinted by hand with the letter T and the word PORTO, also Czecho-Slovak stamps (Stradcany) overprinted with either PORTO, or DOPLATIF, or simply a T in a rectangle. There are practically as many varieties as there are stamps, for these overprints were made with a hand rubber stamp in violet or in black, and they were justified by the stock of Austrian Postage Due stamps being exhausted in January and February last, while the Czecho-Slovak Postage Due stamps had not yet made their appearance."—*Stamp Collecting.*

The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us the stamps referred to above of the type of the Czech lion tearing off his fetters. The values and colors are as follows: 15h gray green, 25h brown and 50h blue. At the same time the following values of another type are submitted:—75h gray, 100h brown and 120h purple. These are of the oblong type and show a mother and child in her arms. At the top are the following words, "Sirotam Nasich Legionaro," while at the bottom is "Posta Ceskos Slovenska" with figures of values in each corner. At each side is the upright sword.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.—The habit of periodically issuing "Habilitado" provisionals in San Domingo is to be ruthlessly stopped. The *Times* correspondent says that new postage stamps of the values ½c, 1c, 2c, 5c, 10c, 20c and 50c have been authorized for immediate issue here by order of Brigadier-General Fuller. U. S. Marine Corps, Military Governor of San Domingo.—*Stamp Collecting.*

ESTHONIA.—The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us the 15 penni of a different type than heretofore. The stamp has the figures at the left and right upper corners in hexagon shaped frames with the words "Penni" between, while below in a circular shape is "Eesti Vabariik". At the bottom are the figures of value in the same shape form as above but larger. In between is a series of circular and rectangular ornaments. The color is red.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.—*Stamp Collecting* calls attention to the fact that there are two distinct printings of the 1sh value of the War Stamp, the second one being a very much lighter shade of brown than the original issue, which, of course, is the scarcer. The second local overprint, both on the ½, 1d and 1sh values can easily be distinguished from the first by the shiny ink of the more recent examples.

FINLAND.—Axel Johansen informs us that Jan. 1 will see new colors for Finland stamps. The list follows:—5p gray, 10p green, 20p red, 25p brown and 50p dark blue.

FIUME.—The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us the 25 and 45c values bearing the following black surcharges in two lines. The former is FRANCO—5, while the latter is FRANCO—10. The figures are located just above the "Posta Fiume", while the word is directly across the middle of the stamp.

At the same time the same correspondent submits a copy of a new 25c stamp with the head of a prosperous looking gentleman within a border, which contains the words "Pro Fondazione Dr Grossich Lire 2" and at the bottom "Posta di Fiume". The color is blue and the perforation 11½. At the top is Cm in the left and 25 in the right corners.

We are indebted to Adjt. Henry Hooreman for information concerning the above provisionals.

JAMAICA.—Regarding the 3d WAR STAMP surcharged in red, one line, recently issued, we are advised by a correspondent of the following story related regarding them. The ½d and 3d were issued at Kingston on October 4th and the ½d may be passed by without notice, as it is still on sale, but the 3d was issued to the extent of 1100 pounds and by 2 o'clock the same afternoon was exhausted. Speculators got busy and although the Post Office people tried to effect control, the speculators and their agents had pretty well effected a corner, as it is rumored that three people hold 900 pounds worth. About 100 pounds went to fill foreign orders and the balance of 100 pounds was bought by the

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By REV. G. E. RICHTER.

It seems to me that Mr. Ward has not been very courteous either to me or to Mr. Power in stating so emphatically that the 6-cent part-perf of which I wrote you recently is not what it appears to be. Mr. Power, whose standing as an authority on U. S. issues of the 20th century is well known, has examined the stamp which is under discussion, and after careful inspection, with miscroscope, dividers, millimetre scale, and comparison with the other denominations of that issue, declared it apparently O. K. and was willing to back his opinion with real money, which he offered me on the spot. Mr. Ward's statement that the stamp is not the requisite height does not seem to be borne out by Mr. Power's measurements or my own,—and I have just gone over it again most carefully. I permitted Mr. Ward to examine the cover and he wrote me that he would endeavor to obtain some information regarding this variety from the records at Washington, and which he wrote me under date of Nov. 1st, he had not yet succeeded in obtaining. I have also been endeavoring to obtain such information from official records, thus far without success. It seems to me, however, that it would have been only courteous and fair for Mr. Ward to suspend judgment until this official data should be available.

I do not presume to declare that this stamp *is* one of the 6-cent part-perfs, of which 500 appear to have been issued, though presumably later retired. I only know that it has been in my possession since 1915, its unique character unnoticed because at the time I received it, in my ordinary correspondence, I was exceedingly busy, for in addition to my pastoral duties I was editing the town weekly newspaper, and had little leisure for stamps. This cover enclosed correspondence from Silas Chapman, Jr., the well-known Hartford collector, who is as ignorant as myself of its origin. I am hoping to have the matter definitely settled by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, but until I am absolutely and officially assured that none of these stamps could possibly have reached the public, I shall believe that it is what it appears to be.

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NEW YORK, N. Y., Nov. 24, 1919.
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Of course this adv. escaped your blue pencil.

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NOTES ON 1918 SWEDEN.

By CARL HUGO PETERSON.

In consequence of the raised postage rates in Sweden which came into force on June 1st, 1918, new postage stamps of 7, 12 and 27 öre were necessary—the values of 7 and 12 öre for ordinary postcards and letters, and the value of 27 öre for registered letters. As the definitive stamps of 7 and 12 öre would not be ready until July 1st, the Swedish Postal Administration in May had to print provisional stamps of these two values. Stamps of 27 öre were not issued until November 30th.

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There are several errors in this issue. There are stamps overprinted "12 1" and "2 12" instead of "12 12" and stamps with inverted surcharge. The value of 12 on 65 öre has been issued with both thick and thin numerals.

Shortly afterwards the definitive stamps, 7 öre, dark green, and 12 öre, claret, appeared. The official stamps of 7 and 12 öre in the same colours as the ordinary stamps were not issued until September or October.

On the 30th of November the provisional stamps of 27 öre were issued. The values of 55, 65 and 80 öre were overprinted with new value "27 27" upon the old numerals, the values of 55 and 65 öre in black and the value of 80 öre in dark blue. 1,211,700 copies of the 55 öre stamp, 1,041,100 copies of 65 öre, and 1,265,000 copies of the 80 öre were overprinted.

On the provisionals of 1918 the surcharge often is displaced, so that the new numerals do not cover the old ones.

The stamps of 55 and 80 öre without surcharge are very rare. When they had been printed they were no longer necessary on account of the new postage rates. They were not distributed until July 2nd, when 1000 copies of each of these stamps were sent to Värnamo, a small place in southern Sweden, and on July 3rd the Postal Administration resolved that the distribution of these values should be stopped and the stamps overprinted with new value. In a very short time all the stamps of these values were sold out at Värnamo. These stamps are now sold to collectors at a price of £8 for a single stamp.

When the postage rates were raised, the demand for the Voluntary Assistance stamps was very inconsiderable, as they were only issued in values of 5 and 10 öre, and therefore the values overprinted on the old issues of 1877-1891 were surcharged once more with new value in dark blue colour. The new numerals at top of the stamp are the new postal value, and the two numerals at bottom are the sum going to charity. About 200,000 copies of each of the ten old stamps were overprinted.

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SASKATCHEWAN LAW STAMPS.

By EDWIN B. HILL.

Necessity makes so great demands even in matters stampic that the collector ofttimes pauses to garner facts before the presses are idle. Canada's out-put, on the confines of civilization, has taken its place in the lists, and the stamps manufactured at insistent demand have gradually given place to the more finished product of the engraver's art. These useful though crude predecessors of the present beautiful designs are growing rarer as the days pass, and the collector of the revenue stamps of Canada will do well to gather the bits of paper as opportunity offers.

Among the necessitous issues of yester-year may be chronicled the first and second issues of the Law Stamps of Saskatchewan. The first issue of these stamps was printed at the office of the Regina *Leader*, Regina, Saskatchewan, on a heavy wove unwatermarked paper, white on one side and colored on the other, except the 5c and the dollar values, which are white on both sides. The colors used are not "fast." They run readily on being moistened, and for this reason great care must be exercised in handling these stamps. They should never be dampened or steamed in removing them from original documents.

All stamps in the series are printed in sheets of twenty-five, in five horizontal rows of five stamps each. There are perforations between the stamps, but not on the margins. Consequently the marginal stamps have one side imperforate, except the corner stamp, which has two adjacent sides imperforate. The perforations gauge twelve.

The design of these stamps was made by two impressions. The first consists of a fancy scroll background comprised of six blocks, and smaller fancy designs to fill in the corners and vacant spaces. Of the six block designs, there are two types,—three of each,—the whole being so arranged as to give the background a continuous or solid appearance.

The second impression was made to designate the value, as well as the purpose of the stamps. This second impression consists of the coat of arms of the province, which appears in the center of the stamp, the words "Law Stamp" printed across the top of the stamp, and the value at the bottom. The coat of arms consists of a lion above three sheaves of wheat, surrounded by a buckled garter, on which is inscribed the words, "Province of Saskatchewan", in plain letters. The words "Law Stamp" are printed in tall and somewhat plain type, with capital letters for "L" and "S". The value appears in "Cents," or "Dollars," printed in small plain type in the center, near the bottom, below the coat of arms. Opposite the word "Cents" and "Dollars" there appear in the lower corners the appropriate numerals to represent the values. These numerals are enclosed in oblongs, two sides of which are made by the outer line frame of the stamp. This frame consists of medium straight lines inside the perforation and surrounding the whole design. The stamps as measured by this frame are 37½ x 25 millimetres.

The two impressions referred to were made on an ordinary printing press, and the type was hand set. The scroll background was printed apparently in different colors, and the second impression also appears in different colors. There were two distinct printings of the series.

FIRST PRINTING.

Following is a complete list of the stamps issued in the first printing:

	Color Surface Paper.	Color Scroll Background.	Color Value, Etc.
1.	5c white	light green	blue
2.	10c reddish pink	light brownish	black
3.	20c bright blue	bluish green	black
4.	25c brt. dp. gr'n	dark green	black
5.	50c deep yellow	yell. green	black
6.	75c br't dp. red	brown	black
7.	$1 white	light green	br. blk.
8.	$2 reddish pink	light brownish	blue
9.	$3 bright blue	bluish green	black
10.	$5 br't dp. gr'n	dark green	black
11.	$10 dp. yellow	yellowish green	black
12.	$20 br't deep red	brown	black

In this printing it is quite possible the scroll background on all the stamps was printed in light green ink. The description endeavors to give the color appearance of the background on each stamp of the series.

There are, in this first series, many varieties and a few errors. Among others of a lesser nature the following may be noted:

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series, with the exception of a single stamp,—either the first or last on each sheet, dependent upon the manner in which the sheet was fed into the press, for in the second impression some sheets were fed in upside down. In this stamp the scroll background is similar to that appearing on every other stamp in the sheet, except that it is inverted.

(b) In the 5c stamp the coat of arms is inverted in the case of the nineteenth stamp. This invert does not appear elsewhere in the series.

(c) Throughout the series the second stamp in each sheet has a thick letter "S" in the word "Stamp," and the fifth stamp in each sheet has a thick letter "A" in "Law" and thick letters "ST" in the word "Stamp."

(d) Throughout the series the eighteenth stamp in each sheet has an imperfect or defective garter surrounding the coat of arms, the buckle on the ribbon being broken in two, only half of it appearing.

(e) In the dollar stamp the word "Dollars" is used instead of "Dollar." This was corrected in the second printing.

(f) In the first stamp of each sheet throughout the series the outside line of the garter toward the N. W. is quite blurred or indistinct, and in some cases is partly missing.

(g) In the $2 stamp the last one on the sheet has an extra line above the figure "2" in the S. W. corner of the stamp within the oblong.

(h) In the $5 stamp the figure "5" in the S. E. corner is raised so that it nearly touches the top lines of the oblong in the twenty-first stamp.

SECOND PRINTING.

In the second printing of some of the stamps of this issue indications point to the fact that the type, for some denominations, was reset. In any event (should this prove to be an error), the forms certainly show that there was a re-arrangement. This second printing includes the following:

Color	Surface Paper.	Color Scroll Background	Color Value, Etc.
1. 5c	white	light green	br't blue
2. 10c	reddish pink	light brownish	black
3. 25c	br't dp. gr'n	dark green	black
4. 50c	orange yellow	grayish	black
5. 75c	br't dp. red	brown	black
6. $1	white	light green	brown
7. $2	reddish pink	light brown	blue
8. $3	bright blue	bluish green	black

The fancy scroll background does not differ from that of the first printing.

Following are varieties that occur:

(a) The tenth stamp in each sheet is similar to that of the eighteenth stamp in the first printing.

(b) In the fourteenth stamp in each sheet the outer circle of the garter towards the N. W. is blurred or indistinct.

(c) In the twenty-first stamp in each sheet there appears a thick letter "S" in the word "Stamp."

(d) In the twenty-second stamp in each sheet there is a large letter "A" in the word "Stamp."

(e) In the 5c stamp the line forming the left side of the oblong in the S. E. corner of the twentieth stamp is not perpendicular.

SECOND ISSUE.

The second issue of Saskatchewan Law Stamps was also printed in the office of the Regina *Leader*. They appear in sheets of fifty,—five horizontal rows of ten stamps each. The paper used was a white wove safety paper. The safety device consists of the words "Dominion of Canada" printed in light green on the front of the sheets, in a fancy design, scarcely distinguishable without the aid of a glass. The words appear an innumerable number of times, giving the appearance of a slightly mottled light green surface to each stamp.

The stamps are imperforate on the sides, but between they are perforated 12.

The design of the stamp, printed throughout the entire series with black ink, consists of an outer straight line frame 42x30 millimetres, containing within its borders the words "Saskatchewan Law Stamp" in plain type, without capitals, in two lines at the top of the stamp; the value of the stamp in large thick numerals in the center, with the "$" sign or cents sign, "C," and the value in words across the bottom of the stamp, in type similar to that at the top, except in the case of the 25c, 50c and $20 stamps, where the type used is of the same variety, but smaller. The words at the top and bottom of the stamp are separated from the numerals by thin horizontal lines, about 17½ millimetres apart.

The type for these stamps was handset and as a consequence a number of varieties occur. These, however, are not so numerous as might be expected. There was only one printing of this issue, which consisted of the following values: 5c, 10c, 20c, 25c, 50c, 75c, $1, $2, $3, $5, $10, $20.

The principal errors or varieties which appear in this series consist in the use or omission of periods after the word "Stamp," after the letter "C" used with the numerals in the center, and after the words "Cents" or "Dollars" at the bottom of the stamps. In some of the stamps the size of the numerals used in the center also varies.

To elucidate these varieties, I cite the following:

(a) In a sheet of the 5c stamps there is no period after the "C" in any of the stamps in the third or seventh perpendicular rows. In some cases the period after the "C" is large and square, in other cases large and round, and in still others merely a small point. The periods after the words above referred to also vary, but not to the same extent.

(b) In the 10c stamps the last figure "C" in the center is smaller in the ninth and tenth perpendicular rows than in the others. This is also true of the two last ciphers in the $10.00 and $20.00 stamps in the same rows.

Again I would crave clemency in the preparation of this paper,—a mere copying of facts supplied me by Mrs. E. W. Oughtred, of Westmount, Quebec.

OUR BOOK REVIEW.

We have been favored by the Philatelic Institute of London with No. 4 of the Philatelic Institute Papers edited by F. J. Melville. It consists of a "Check List of the New Republic of Poland," by Capt. C. W. Care. This list originally appeared in the *Stamp Lover* and is probably the best treatment of the stamps of this new republic that has yet appeared. Illustrations are numerous. The price of the booklet is not stated.

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The first thing required is a loose leaf book and pages. The binder should if possible have an extension back, or else have the front and back covers in each a separate piece, as this admits of unlimited expansion. The pages should preferably be of fairly heavy paper and should have a horizontal ruling for convenience in getting the pockets straight. A ring binder is perfectly O. K. but the holes in the paper should then be re-inforced with Dennison's gummed rings on both sides, as a page full of stamps is quite heavy and will tear out the hole in the paper.

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The large advertisement by W. C. Phillips & Co. this week is one of many that this firm has taken during the past three years. It must be a paying proposition, in fact, Mr. Phillips recently wrote us that he could not do business with us unless we produced results. No dealer advertises as a pastime and few advertise from charitable motives, so when a page is taken in the WEEKLY, business must follow.

The Western Stamp Co. of Omaha has used page after page in recent months. So has the Marks Stamp Co. and the C. S. Watson Co. and they continue to use large space week by week.

There is an art in advertising. It consists in naming the things you want to sell at the lowest prices you can afford to sell them and thus so favorably impress your patrons that they will look for your advertisement the moment the wrapper is broken.

We play no favorites and large space is yours on the same basis as to the advertisers above referred to. Just write us what you have in mind to do.

THE MANAGING EDITOR.

EDITORIAL.

Gone—In the October number of the *London Philatelist,* we find a paragraph of nine lines that bids us pause in our headlong pursuit of philately and meditate upon the past of the hobby. We copy the announcement: "It is with sincere regret that we have to announce the death of Mr. Mount Brown, one of the pioneers of Philately and one of the earliest members of our Society. Mr. Mount Brown was born in 1837 in London, commenced collecting in 1860 and in May, 1862, produced his well-known catalogue, which attained wide-spread popularity and reached five editions in two years. He relinquished philately about 1870 but in late years returned to the hobby and in 1916 was elected an honorary member of the Royal Philatelic Society, London." Those who actually saw the dawn of stamp collecting and are still with us are worthy of all respect and tribute and we cannot believe that Mount Brown, whose life has spanned that of philately, will not receive a fuller meed of eulogy in the English press. In Gray's catalogue, first edition, London, 1862, which we happen to have in hand, we find in the Introduction, the sub-heading: "The following Works or Articles have been Printed on the subject of Stamp Collecting." There are twenty listings and among them is: "Brown, Mount.—Catalogue of British Colonial, and Foreign Postage Stamps, comprising upwards of 1,200 varieties. London. 1862. Second Edition." Here we may add that the first edition of "A Hand Catalogue of Postage Stamps for the Use of Collectors by John Edward Gray, Ph. D., F. R. S., F. L. S., F. Z. S., &c., of the British Museum," London: Robert Hardwicke, 192, Picadilly, 1862, was published early in December, 1862, and consisted of one thousand copies. In this catalogue, the advertisement may be seen: "Now ready. New and Revised Edition. Second Thousand. Stafford Smith's Descriptive Price Catalogue of many hundred varieties of British, Colonial and Foreign Postage Stamps. Illustrated with facsimile engravings of rare stamps. Price 4d, post free 5d. H. Stafford Smith Foreign Stamp and Crest Depot, Bath." In his catalogue, Lord Crawford says of the first edition of Mount Brown's catalogue, which "comprised upwards of 1200 varieties": "This edition is believed to have consisted of 500 copies. A few of the copies, said to be ten, had the words, 'Presentation copy,' printed on the wrappers in place of the usual words, 'Price one shilling.' Post Free, 13 stamps. A copy of this variety is in the library of the British Museum."

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Again—The memory of Mount Brown will be cherished by philatelists, the older ones of whom will realize "how noiseless falls the foot of time" when the name of Mount Brown, which meant so much in the early days, fades out. "Nor sink those stars in empty night,—They hide themselves in heaven's own light." The necrology of the year includes the name of Victor Suppantschitz, Vienna, one of the greatest of European philatelists. He was born in 1838 and became one of the country's honored jurists and attained high political preferences. He became a collector in 1863 and was soon in communication with many other collectors in his own land and elsewhere. His collection increased through exchanges and his enthusiasm glowed through contact with his fellow collectors. He began to contribute valuable articles to the stamp press and in 1880 issued his first work, a philatelic Guide; and twelve years later, his big book on philatelic bibliography was presented. In 1895, his further "Briefmarkenkunde" brought him renown. In 1913, he was awarded the Lindenberg medal, for most distinguished services for philately during that year.

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Levity—In an article on Prince Edward Island, we learn: "The island is known as 'The Garden of the Gulf,' its oats, potatoes, sheep and horses having a good reputation." It is fitting that our four-footed friends who lead lives of the utmost circumspection be publicly extolled for their virtues; and anyway, when a sheep loses its reputation, it becomes a goat. The *American Philatelist,* September, page 453, includes "United Tastes" among the new issue countries, and we think the name the best of anagrams. There are many tastes in this country, and some of them want improving and if they do not get it, they will have to follow old dark brown taste. Mr. P. M. Wolsieffer sends us a price-list from a dealer in Holland on which there is the rhyme, rubber-stamped: "In matters of Commerce—

Christmas Combinations

COMBINATION NO. 1, PRICE $1.00

1 Collector's Album, 1200 spaces
1 Pocket Album for duplicates
1 Set Merchant Flags
1 Packet, 100 different Foreign Stamps
1 Packet 100 different U. S. Stamps
1 Packet 10 different War Stamps
1 Copy U. S. $1 Postage
1000 American Hinges

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1 Imperial Album No. 1, Illustrated
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1 Packet 10 different War Stamps
1000 American Hinges

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1 Imperial Album No. 2, Cloth Covers
1 Pocket Stock Book No. 0
1 Set Merchant Flags
1 Packet 300 different Foreign Stamps
1 Packet 150 different U. S. Stamps
1 Packet 25 different War Stamps
1000 American Hinges

COMBINATION NO. 4, PRICE $5.00

1 Modern Album, holds 14,000 stamps
1 Pocket Stock Book, No. 0
1 Set Flags, Rulers, Coats of Arms
1 Packet 500 different Foreign Stamps
1 Packet 150 different U. S. Stamps
1 Packet 25 different War Stamps
1000 American Hinges

COMBINATION NO. 5, PRICE $10.00

1 International Junior Album No. 1
Contains spaces for all stamps except rarities
1 Pocket Stock Book No. ½
With slide cover to protect contents
1 Set Flags, Rulers, Coats of Arms
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1 Packet 50 different War Stamps
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Strange—We get letters from our patrons that in the aggregate cover the range of our advertising columns and give us an idea of the inner workings of the trade machine. Occasionally the letters are commendatory of the methods of an advertiser, but oftener they express surprise at the business manner of this or that dealer. For instance: "About two years ago, I sent them a want-list; never heard a word until I wrote again and then got the amazing news that their want man was out of town. Circulars came regularly and finally I wrote again regarding some Seebecks that I wanted. The answer came requesting thirty days' time to fill. That was satisfactory and I waited a month and a half. I wrote and back came the answer requesting a duplicate list, as they had mislaid the original one. I sent it, saying that this was their last chance in three starts. No answer yet, but nevertheless I got their latest circulars, referred to previously, yesterday. I consider myself a liberal buyer and can refer you to many of your advertisers for proof." We can print the advertisements but cannot pretend to dictate the office or shop methods of advertisers so long as they are within the law. Of course, we know that now and then the most efficient individual or firm slips a cog or misses the connection, but what seems passing strange to us is that a firm progressive enough to advertise is not enterprising enough to cultivate every chance to do business with those who are attracted by their advertisements. We suppose that there is usually a dealer or two who has more business than he can attend to.

OUR SUBSCRIPTION FORMS.

All holders of subscription forms will please use up the supply of 25c slips that they have on hand. When exhausted a revised form will be furnished on the dollar per year basis.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

—Several subscribers residing in Pasadena and Los Angeles report that the issue of Nov. 1 reached them in a badly scorched condition. Chas. S. Thompson states that part of a shipment of mail was badly damaged by fire and burned copies of the WEEKLY were received by our subscribers in his vicinity. It is possible that letter mail was accorded the same treatment, and we mention this fact for the information of our subscribers. The date of the episode was about Nov. 15.

—We have received Wholesale List No. 18 of the Max F. Bier Co., Brooklyn, N. Y. All dealers should send for the same. Address 1496 Bedford Av.

—If any of our subscribers wish to convey a bit of Christmas cheer to a worthy shut-in, we suggest that they send some stamps or stamp papers (or anything of a philatelic nature) to Emery Williams, Route 3, Box 110, Benton, Ill. Mr. Williams has not been in bed for more than eighteen months. He takes a keen interest in his stamps and a subscriber has recently presented him with an album. We are satisfied as to the worthiness of this young collector.

—The O'Flaherty article to which we have previously referred as a splendid asset in advertising philately, was printed in the Springfield (Mass.) *Republican* for Sunday, Nov. 23. It was finely displayed and we are indebted to H. C. Hyde for the clipping.

—New York letters are now reaching us with a new advertising cancellation in four lines, reading:—"Fight Tuberculosis — With — Red Cross — Christmas Seals".

—"This is just to notify you that the Ripon (Wis.) Philatelic Society, Branch No. 7 of the S. P. A., has reorganized after a lapse of two years due to the war. An important meeting was held at the Masonic Temple Nov. 28, at which everyone agreed to do all in his power to make the organization bigger and better than ever. The following officers were elected:—Louis B. Farvour, president; F. E. Tinkham, vice-president and sales manager and Edw. F. Steinbring, secretary. Meetings will be held the first and third Wednesdays of each month after Jan. 1st."—EDWARD F. STEINBRING.

—Clippings are acknowledged with thanks from W. W. Hunt, Gordon J. Campbell, J. H. Houston, Leopold Roth, O. R. Bertram, H. C. Hyde, R. P. Brook, H. Pearlman, H. L. Balderston and Independent Stamp Co.

—Two of our advertisers write that they can supply a copy of the 1919 catalog, Messrs. Leve of Syracuse and Lyons of Philadelphia. A subscriber, W. F. Hubbell, Freeport, N. Y., has one also for sale.

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*15	1882, 3p orange brown	3.25	2.00
*17	1882, 1sh orange	.75	.50
*18	1885, ½p green	.10	.08
*19	1885, 1p carmine rose	.10	.08
*22	1885, 6p olive	1.50	.75
*26	1887, 2p lilac and blue	.18	.15
*28	1887, 3p lilac and orange	.20	.15
*29	1887, 4p lilac and black	.25	.18
*30	1887, 6p lilac and red violet	1.00	.50
*31	1887, 1sh green and black	.75	.50
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BELGIUM	Charity, Nos. 241-8, 8 vars. cat. .60	.18
FINLAND	1917, 5p to 10M, 9 var., complete	1.20
*HUNGARY	Reaper, 5f to 95f, 9 var.	.25
	Charity, 10, 15 & 40f	.18
*N. BORNEO	Red Cross, On 1c, 2c, 3c & 4c Yvert&Tellier, cat. $1.65	.45
*LIBERIA	2c and 3c, Nos. 431-4, scarce pair	.14
*ROUMANIA	209-11, 213-6, Cat. $2.88	.60
	P. T. T. 3 vars., comp.	.06
ROUMANIA	224-9 Commem., fine	.16
	German Occ. Dues, 5 var.	.20
TURKEY	431-4, fine used set of 4, Cat. $6.50	2.20
*SIAM	Victory, 5 values, complete	.85
	Red Cross. 2s to 15s, 5 vars.	1.10
SIAM	Red Cross, 1b blue and black	.85
	Red Cross. 2b red and brown	1.65
*WURTEMBERG	surch. Volkstaat, 21 var. ext. special at	.58

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3c RED ENV. ERROR==FREE

This is an interesting stamp. Most collectors get one even if they do not collect envelopes. For this time only we'll make a SPECIAL OFFER of this error, free with every order of $15.00 from this adv. only. This offer will be cancelled soon as our next list appears early in January.

Make yourself a Xmas present. The offers here cancel prices made in our last list, where it is the same item. Other items in that list, which are not in this hold good. We cannot quote as complete a line as we would like in these two pages, but you will find many new items offered at as close prices as possible over cost. If you want anything in War items, etc., let us know as important shipments of new and up-to-the-minute goods such as French Occupation of Hungary, Transylvania, etc., etc., are on the way. It does not cost a fortune to get nine in ten of these War issues and there is more history connected with most of them than with any of the older issues. Those not interested in War and 20th will find other offers in 19th, U. S., etc.

We have been bothered with orders from past ads of 8c, 12c, etc., and must request orders to be at least 25c or more. The clerical work is about the same on a $5 order as on a 5c one.

SPECIAL SNAPS

In this column we list a few items we are able to offer at much less than usual prices, through favorable purchases, etc. All are desirable goods, and we repeat the prices are SPECIAL, and many of the offers will not be made again by us at these figures. POSITIVELY not over TWO copies of any one stamp to a customer. Do not order more, please.

WEEKLY readers finished up our stock in many of the specials offered in our last list. Here is another and better one. Look it over carefully.

UNITED STATES.

1c, 2c, 3c, Perf. 11x12, Rotary press (coil) stamps* blocks same rate .12

1916 **$2 blue, perf. 10. Superb, lightly cancelled copies that look as well as unused. Beauties .... .68**

LETTLAND The famous "Map" stamp, printed on backs of German military maps, owing to shortage of paper. Adv. as high as 75c in the past.
5k carmine, imperforate* ..... .07
5k carmine, perforated* ..... .07
5, 10, 15k on writing paper* (never sold under 45c) ..... .15

UBANGI 1916 Red Cross 5 on 10c, No. 101*, cat. $1 ..... .35

LIBIA (Italy) 5 on 15c, No. 1352*, cat. $2.50 ..... .58

BENADIR 1916, 5 on 15c, No. 102, cat. 75c* ..... .19

CANADA War Tax, 20c & 50c*, the pair. Two good stamps 1.75

JUGO SLAVIA on Hungary 20 vars.* very low and special price.. 2.25

RHODESIA 1919, 1sh* error of color, said to be scarce ..... .78

JAMAICA 1906, 2sh violet on blue, nice copies, cat. $1 each ..... .38

JAMAICA 1919, 2sh blue & black, Geo., violet fiscal cancellation .... .19

ABYSSINIA Nos. 116, 117, 118, 119* seldom seen in collections.. 1.35

AUSTRIAN CRETE 1908, 5c to 1fr* good set ..... .38

PARAGUAY 20 on 2c, No. 167*, cat. $3 Missing in most collections .95

ROUMANIA '06.1.3.5, 10, 15, 25, 25, 40,50b, 1, 2l* handsome set cat. 1.42 .58

VENEZUELA 1901, Nos. 163, 164, 165*, cat. $1.60 ..... .49

LICHTENSTEIN 6 vars. complete.* Not many countries you can get all for only.. .10

FIUME Obsolete 2, 3, 5, 10, 20, 25, 40, 45, 50, 60c, 1cor. Cheap at ..... .45

HUNGARY Sur. "Koztarsasag" (Rep.) 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 10, 15, 20, 20, 25, 40, 50 ..... .98

PALESTINE 9 piastres, ochre, used. Good stamp ..... .50

PHILIPPINES 1911, 4p blue, good average cop., cat. $1 ea., cheap .37

PHILIPPINES '06, 2p blk., good average copies cat. $2.50 each .. .68

PHILIPPINES **1864, 12 4-8c blue on salmon* cat. $1.50,fine copies for only ..... .48**

PHILIPPINES **1864, 25c rose on pink* cat. $1.50, fine copies for .52**

SWEDEN 1910, 5 KRONE **claret on yellow. CAT. $1.50.**

We have been out of this stamp for some time and have paid as much for them as we ask now until we made a favorable purchase we give our customers the benefit of. Nice copies which catalog $1.50 for only 48c—a snap.

FINLAND 1917, 5 MARKS **violet & black. Like the 5k Sweden a special purchase allows us to quote a very low price of 37c for a nice copy.**

FERNANDO PO **1900, 5, 10, 15, 20, 40, 60, 80c*, Cat. $3.65, and missing in many collections.**
OUR PRICE IS $1.35.

BRITISH COLONIAL WAR TAX, ETC.

are about all obsolete now and prices stiffening wholesale which of course means retail too very soon. Here is a very good line of them. Anything you wish not offered please ask for.

ANTIGUA ½p green, No. 101, used .... .07
½p green, No. 102* ..... .03

ANTIGUA 1½d orange, No. 103* ..... .07
1½d orange, used ..... .10

BAHAMAS Special, 5p, No. 101* 1.95
1p, No. 302* ..... .18

BAHAMAS 1918, 5d Special, No. 103*.. .20

BAHAMAS 1918, ½p green, No. 301* ... .60

BAHAMAS 1918, ½p London, one line* .04
1918, 1p London, one line* .05
'18, 3p London,1 line*(white) .15

BAHAMAS 1918, 1sh London, one line* .55
1919, ½ London, two lines* .03

BAHAMAS 1919, 1d London, two lines* .05
1919, 3d London, two lines* .15

BAHAMAS 1919, 1sh London, two lines* .60
War Charity, 1p red & blk.* .06
Same used ..... .10

BERMUDA 1918, 1p red, No. 101, used .10
1918, same* ..... .05

BR. HONDURAS 5c, No. 86* ..... .13
1c green, No. 202* .. .05

BR. HONDURAS 1916, 1c grn., No. 201* .15

BR. HONDURAS 1918, 1c grn., No.204* .07

BR. HONDURAS 1919, 1c* green ..... .03
1919, 3c orange* .... .07

CANADA 1915, 20c olive*, a good stamp ..... .85

CAYMAN IS. 1917, 1½p, No. 102* ..... .35
'17, 1½p. No.103 used,rare .20

CAYMAN IS. 1917, same* ..... .09
1919, ½p green* ..... .04
1919, 1½p orange* ..... .08

CEYLON Complete sets of 5 varieties* War Tax ..... .12

DOMINICA ½p, No. 151* ..... .04

DOMINICA ½d London print* ..... .04
1½d London print* ..... .08
3d London print* ..... .15

EAST AFRICA 4c on 6c Provisional*, said to be scarce ..... .10

EAST AFRICA 4 on 6c* double sur., only one sheet ever found ..18.00

GER. EAST AF. 3c to 75c* 1.95

GER. EAST AF. N. F. 3p brown on yellow. Rare stamp* .. 2.85
Same but used 3.25

GER. EAST AF. N.F.4p red & blk.* rare 3.75

GER. EAST AF. N.F. 1sh grn.* rare... 6.75

FALKLAND IS. ½d green, local sur.*.. .25
1d red, local sur.* .... .22

GER. EAST AF. on East Africa 1, 3, 6, 10, 12, 15, 25, 50c* underpriced 1.50

GER. EAST AF. 75c green* ..... .65

GER. EAST AF. 1 rupee* ..... .75
2 rupees* 1.50

GILBERT & ELLICE 1919, 1p red* .. .05

GOLD COAST 1918, 1p on 1p* ..... .05

JAMAICA 1916, 3p (white back)* 1.00
1916, 1½ green, No. 304 .... .03

JAMAICA 1916, 1½ orange, No. 305 .... .06
1917, 1½p orange, No. 308 ... .04
1917, 3p brown, No. 309 .... .05

JAMAICA 1919, ½p red sur.* War Tax .05
1919, 3p* red sur. War Tax .25

MALTA 1918, ½p green* ..... .03
1918, 3p violet & gray* ..... .15

MONTSERRAT 1917, ½d green, No. 101* .07
1917, same, used ..... .10

MONTSERRAT 1918, ½p green* ..... .04
1919, 1½p orange* .... .08

NAURU on Gt. Britain ½, 1, 2, 2½, 3, 4, 5d* good set ..... .65

RHODESIA 1917, ½ on 1p* No. 138 (cat. $2). Cheap at ..... .88
1917, ½on 1p*, No. 139* ... .95

ST. HELENA 1916, 1p red, No. 101* .. .12
1919, 1d on 1p* ..... .10

ST. KITTS 1916, ½p green* ..... .04
1919, 1½p orange* ..... .08

ST. VINCENT 1916, 1p red, No. 201*.... .80
1916, 1p red* ..... .06

TRENGGANU 3 on 2c used, rare ..... .20
2 on 8c used, rare ..... .40

TRENGGANU 1918, 2 on 4c, No. 105* .. .60
2 on 3c* ..... .08

TRINIDAD 1p, No. 151* ..... .08
½p, No. 152* ..... .10

TRINIDAD 1p, No. 153* ..... .10
½p, No. 154* ..... .05

TRINIDAD 1p, No. 155* ..... .15
1p, No. 157* ..... .08

TRINIDAD ½p, No. 158* ..... .05
1p, No. 161* ..... .08

TRINIDAD 1p, No. 163* ..... .08
½p, 1p, Nos. 164, 165* ..... .07

TURKS IS. 1918, 1p (1st London)* .... .08
1918, 1p (2nd London)* ..... .06

TURKS IS. 1918, 3p (4th Local in red*) 2.50
1918, 3p London* ..... .15

TURKS IS. 1p, 2nd local* ..... .10
1p, 3rd local* ..... .22

VIRGIN IS. 1916, 1p scarlet* ..... .06
1916, 3p violet* ..... .15

TRINIDAD 1917, 1p, No. 155* ..... .10

RHODESIA, ½ on 1p, No. 138 ..... 1.25

IRAQ (Mesopotamia) on Turkish Pictorial set, ¼a-10rup complete*.. 14.75

IRAQ Short set same ¼a to 12a* handsome stamps 2.75

IRAQ ½a green (on piece cover) ..... .30
1a red (on piece cover) ..... .18

PALESTINE 5m on 1pi. No. 102* 1.75
Same used 1.35

PALESTINE 1, 2, 3, 4, 5m* ..... .25
1pi blue, perforated ..... .07

PALESTINE 2pi, 5pi* ..... .85
9pi bistre, used ..... .50

PALESTINE 9pi bistre * ..... .65
10pi ultramarine* ..... .78
20pi grey* 1.50

PALESTINE 1pi rouletted No. 101 on pieces of cover. Very fine copies ..... .50

FRENCH WAR STAMPS

30 VAR. War and Red Cross French Colonials. A good start* 30 all different 1.45

FRANCE (Orphans) 1917, Nos. 203, 205, 206, 207, 208*, a very pretty set .45

FRANCE (Orphans) 1fr plus 1fr* .... .39
(Orphans) 5ir plus 5fr* 1.95

MOROCCO 5c, No. 2507* ..... .04
10c, No. 2505* ..... .06

RED CROSS Alexandria 5 on 10c* .... .06
Indo China 4 on 5c* ..... .10

RED CROSS Indo China 6 on 10c* .... .15
Fr. India, No. 103* ..... .20

CAMEROONS 1916, 1, 2, 4, 35c, each cat. $5 good and scarce. Per stamp 3.50
Above set used on cover 14.50

CAMEROONS 1916, 5c, No. 119 ..... .95
1916, 1, 2, 4, 5, 15, 20, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 75c, 1, 2r,

CAMEROONS Nos. 116 to 129 comp. ..68.00
1917, 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 75c, 1fr*,

CAMEROONS Nos. 130 to 148 ..... 1.48
1917, 15c violet & rose* .05

FR. MOROCCO 1914, 5, 10, 15, 25, 35, 50c, No. 2441, etc. .... .27
1914, 1pe, No. 2449 .... .16

RED CROSS Dahomey 1915, 5 on 10c*.. .05

RED CROSS Fr.Guiana 5 on 10c*,No.202 .04

RED CROSS Fr.Guinea 5 on 10c*,No.201 .05

RED CROSS Fr. India 5 on 10c*,No.102 1.65

RED CROSS Fr. India 5 on 10c*,No.104 .10

RED CROSS Fr. India 5 on 10c*,No.105 .05

RED CROSS Oceanica 1915, 10c*, No. 38 .27
" 1915, 5 on 10c* No.101 .95

RED CROSS Gabon 1917,5 on 10c*No.203* .05
.." 1916, 5 on 10c* No.201 1.75

RED CROSS Guadeloupe 5 on 10c*No.151 .06

RED CROSS Ivory Coast 1915, 5 on 10c* .05

RED CROSS Madagascar 5 on 10c,No.191* .05

RED CROSS Mauritania 5 on 10c,No.91* .05

RED CROSS Martinique 5 on 10c,No.151* .05

RED CROSS Mid. Congo,No.101*(cat.$2) .85

RED CROSS Middle Congo, No. 102*.. .05
New Caledonia '15.No.251* .09

RED CROSS New Caledonia '17,No.252* .05

RED CROSS New Caledonia '17,No.253* .07

RED CROSS Reunion 1915, No. 152* .. .23
Reunion 1916, No. 153* .. .05

RED CROSS St. Pierre 1915, No. 201* .07

RED CROSS Senegal 1915, No. 151* ... .05

RED CROSS Senegal 1918, 5 on 15c*.. .06

RED CROSS Tunis 10c on 15,20,25,35,40c* .45

RED CROSS Tunis 10c on 1fr* ..... .30

RED CROSS Tunis 15c on 20, 25, 40, 75c* .40

RED CROSS Tunis 15c on 1fr* ..... .32
Ubangi, No. 101* ..... .55
Ubangi, No. 102* ..... .05

Approval books of French Colonials Red Cross and Wars to buyers.

TUNIS, Aero stamp, 30c on 35c* .... .07

CILICIE (French Occupation) on 4pa Turkish Pict.* ..... .40

CILICIE on 2pa Turkish Pict.* ..... .40
on 50pa Turkey, No. 345* .... .45

CILICIE We have others but too few to adv., 12 varieties *, for 3.75

OTHER WAR ISSUES

of European countries, their colonies, etc.

AUSTRIA 1916, 3, 5, 6, 10, 12, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 60, 80, 90h, 1k* Handsome set ..... .50

AUSTRIA 1916, 2k, 3k, 4k, 10k* 1.55
1917, Nos. 168-171* ..... .15

AUSTRIA Same used ..... .10
1915, Nos. 403-407* ..... .17

AUSTRIA Aero Post 1.50, 2.50, 4k* 1.25

AUSTRIA Nos. 670, 671, 684-687 ..... .28

AUSTRIA Occupation of Italy, Italian values on Austrian stamps, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 11, 13, 16, 22, 27, 32, 43, 53, 64, 85, 95c, 2.11c, 3.10c, 4.22c, 19 var.* complete 3.75

AUSTRIA Same as above on dues, 6c-53c, News. 3c-22c, Express, 3c, 6c; 13 varieties* 2.25

GER. AUSTRIA Dues 2, 4, 6, 10, 30h*.. .12
Postage 10k violet* .. .58

BAVARIA 1914, 3pf to 20 marks, Nos. 94 to 109. A scarce set 5.50

BAVARIA Above set surch. "Volkstaat Bayern" 3pf-1 mark* ..... .88

BAVARIA Same, 2M, 3M, 5M* ..... .95
Same, 10M yellow green* .. .95

BAVARIA Same, 20M brown* 1.80
Same, 25pf and 75pf* ..... .25

BAVARIA Charity, 2 values* ..... .10
"Freestate" on German stps. 2½, 3, 5, 7½, 10, 20, 25, 35, 40,

BAVARIA 75, 80, 1m* ..... .75
Same, 2M, 3M, 5M* 1.25

BELGIUM 1915, 40c, 50c Pictorial .... .20

BELGIUM 1915, 1fr violet Pictorial .. .19

BELGIUM 1915, 2fr slate Pictorial .... .39
1915, 5fr blue, Pictorial ... .88

BELGIUM 1914, Nos. 261-266* a scarce set and seldom offered* .. 2.50

BELGIUM '19. 10c,15c*(Albert)new issue .05

BELGIUM 1915, 5, 10, 20c Dues* ..... .07

BELGIUM Occ. of Germany, surch. "Allemagne Duitschland" on '15 issue, 1, 2, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 35, 40, 50c, 1fr* ..... .58
2fr, 5fr* 1.40

BELGIUM German Occ., 3, 5, 8, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40c*, Nos. 713-720* .45
German Occ., 6f25c, No. 725 5.50

BOSNIA Sarajevo, 10, 15, 40h* ..... .35

BOSNIA Karlfonds, 10, 15, 40h* ..... .38

BOSNIA 1916, 3h to 10k comp., Nos. 86 to 104, used 5.50

BOSNIA Nos. 241, 242 ..... .18
No. 236 ..... .10

CONGO Red Cross (double face set) 5, 10, 25, 40, 50c* ..... .90
Red Cross (double face) 1fr* .55

CONGO Red Cross (double face) 5frs* 2.45
Red Cross (double face) 10frs* 5.00

GER. E. AFRICA on Congo 5, 10, 15, 25, 40, 50c* ..... .62
On Congo, 1fr olive & black* .33

GER. E. AFRICA on Congo 5frs orange & black* No. 108 .... 1.45

GER. E. AFRICA on Congo double face Red Cross set, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 40, 50c* .... .90

GER. E. AFRICA 1fr olive and black*. .55
5fr orange & blue*.. 2.45
10frs green & blue*... 5.00

FINLAND 1917, 5, 10, 20, 25, 40, 50p .. .15

FINLAND 1917, 1m rose and black .... .10

FINLAND 1917, 5m violet & black(Spec.) .39
'18, Wasa 5,10,30,40,50,70p,1M* 1.90

FINLAND 1917, 10M brown & black, a good stamp 1.25

GERMANY National Assembly, 3 var.* .10
Charity, 2 var.* ..... .15

WURTEMBERG REP. 22 var.* comp on Officials 1.15

WURTEMBERG Officials, Nos. 261-277, 17 varieties 1.25

GREECE No. 306* ..... .10
1 on 80*, No. 311 ..... .25

GREECE 5 on 60*, No. 314a ..... .50
5 on 80*, No. 315 ..... .25

GREECE 5 on 10*, No. 321 ..... .25
5 on 10*, No. 322 ..... .10

GREECE 1 on 50* ..... .15
1916, 3l, No. 234b* ..... .18

GREECE Nos. 304, 306, 312a, 314, 316* 1.15

GREECE Nos. 316a, 317, 317a, 318* ... 1.70
201 on 80* ..... .50

HUNGARY 1916, 50f, 75, 80, 1k, 2k .... .39
1916, 35, 40, 50, 75, 80* 1.25

HUNGARY 1916, 20, 45f* Magyar .... .38
1915, 1f to 5k, Nos. 185-201 complete used 2.95

HUNGARY "Koztarsasag" 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10. 15, 20, 20, 25f*, 50f* .... .95

HUNGARY Same Charity 10, 15, 40f* .. .50
Same 1k, 2k, 3k, 5k, 10k*.. 4.75

HUNGARY Aero Stamps 1k50, 2k50c* on 75c and 2k* 1.95

HUNGARY "Koztarsasag" on Dues 2, 3, 10. 20, 40, 50f*, 6 var. ..... .75

HUNGARY **Temesvar, 10f on 2f, 30 on 2, 50 on 20, 15 on 10, 1.50 on 15f* .50**

ITALIAN OCCUPATION, ETC.

An almost complete line of these issues all of which are now obsolete.

Occupation of Trieste—Austrian stamps surcharged "Venezia Giulia"
3h violet, used ..... .50
5h, 10h, 15h, 20h* each ..... .30
6h orange*, scarce 1.65
12h blue green*, scarce 2.50
30h violet* 1.45
50h green* 1.85
60h blue* 3.65
80h red brown* 2.35
1k red on yellow* 2.50

Italian stamps surcharged "Venezia Giulia"
1c or 2c* each ..... .65
5, 10, 20, 25c* ..... .39
40c brown used ..... .75
45c olive* ..... .28
50c violet used ..... .75
1l green and brown* 1.65
Dues 5h, or 10h each* ..... .19
Dues 20h orange & black* ..... .35
Dues 30h orange and black 1.00
Dues 40h orange and black 1.35

Occupation of Trent—Austrian stamps surcharged "Regno d'Italia, Trentino, 3 Nov 1918"
3h violet* 1.25
5h green* ..... .55
10h claret* ..... .55
15h brown* (2,600) 5.75
20h green* ..... .75
30h violet* (2,600) 6.75
50h green* (2,300) 7.75

Italian Stamps Sur. "Venezia Tridentina"
1c, or 2c* each ..... .35
10c rose* ..... .20
20c orange ..... .48
40c olive* (5,000) 3.00
1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 40, 45, 50, 60c, 1l complete set used 13.75

Italian Stamps Sur. "di Corona" and values. 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 25, 40, 45, 50, 60c, 1l* 1.35

ITALY 1915, 5 on 20c, No. 193* ..... .15
1917, 25 on 40c* No. 203 ..... .20

ITALY 1917, 25c rose, No. 215* Aero .. .13
1917, 25c on 40c No. 216* Aero.. .10

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W. C. PHILLIPS & CO., Box 1012, HARTFORD, CONN.

LIBIA 1915, 5 on 10c, No. 1351* ..... .05
1915, 5 on 15c, No. 1352* 1.10
LIBIA 1915, 5 on 20c, No. 1353* ..... .08
1916, 20c on 15c, No. 1354* ..... .15
BENADIR 5 on 15c, No. 102* ..... .35
15 on 20c. No. 104* ..... .15
RODI 20c orange, No. 1859* cat. 50c.. .19
1916, 5 on 15c, No. 41* ..... .50
ERITREA 20 on 15c, No. 42* ..... .25
5 on 15c, No. 152* ..... .33
20 on 15c*, No. 154 ..... .25
FIUME on Hungary, 30 vars., many scarce mostly new* 23.00
FIUME on Hungary, complete set 43 var. Cat. in French cat. at about $250 a scarce set 98.00
FIUME Pictorials 2, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 45, 50,60c,1cor* Pretty set .95
FIUME Pictorials, 2c to 10 corrone, complete*. We only have a few. 17 varieties 4.95
FIUME Charity Issue, 12 var.* complete. Good set 5.50
PECHINO Italian China (Peking) ½ on 1, 1 on 2, 2 on 5, 4 on 10, 8 on 20, 10 on 25, 20 on 50, 40 on 11, 2d on 5l, Expr. 12 on 30c* 5.50
TIENTSIN Italian China (Tientsin) same values as above set* 5.50
PECHINO Italian China 1c, 2c, 10c* .. .25
Italian China Express 30c*.. .45
TIENTSIN Italian China 1c, 2c, 10c* .. .25
Italian China Express 30c*.. .45
PECHINO Italian China 8 on 20c*. The rare 1st issue. Only 75 were printed 250.00

We have some other odd values in these including some of the rarest stamps of the 20th Century.

KIONGA ½c, 1c, 2½c, 5c on 100c L. Marques* Scott's Nos. 1 to 4 1.75
LIBERIA 1918, 1 on 2c, 2c on 2c, 2 on 5c * Red Cross set ..... .27
LIBERIA Red Cross 1918, 2c on 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 50c* 2.35
Red Cross 2c on 75c, $1, $2, $5 15.00
MONACO Red Cross, 5 on 10c* ..... .06
Prov., 20 on 10, 40 on 30*.. .15
MONACO Orphans, 5/5, 15/10, 15/25*.. .15
Orphans, 50/50c, 1fr/1fr* .. .60
Nos. 914 to 917, scarce set .. .60
MOZAMBIQUE War Tax 1916 1c green, 5c rose Scott Nos.325,326* .15
MOZAMBIQUE War Tax Prov., 2½c on 1c red* ..... .15
MOZAMBIQUE War Tax Dues 1c green, No. 381* ..... .22
MOZAMBIQUE War Tax Dues 5c rose, No 382* (cat. $1) ..... .38
ROUMANIA German Occ. 15b, No. 901 .40
German Occ.Nos.907,908,909 1.35
German Occ., Nos. 910-913 .65
ROUMANIA German Occ. Dues 5, 10, 20, 30, 50b* 1.00
ROUMANIA Austrian Occ. Nos. 701-717* 17 values 3b to 41* 4.75
ROUMANIA Austrian Occ. 3, 5, 6, 10, 12, 15, 20, 25b, Nos. 722-729 .40
ROUMANIA Same Nos. 722-739 complete set of 17 values, 3b-41 .... 4.00
SAN MARINO 1918, Sur. "3 Nov" 20c-31*. Good set 2.35
SAN MARINO 1917, 25c on 2c, No. 151* .65
1918, 20 on 15c, No. 49* .25
SAN MARINO '18,Charity 2,5,10.20,25,45c* .45
SAN MARINO 1918, Charity 1l, 21, 31* 1.50
1919, Surcharged "3 Nov. 1918" 20, 25, 45c* ..... .75
SERVIA 1915, Peter on Battlefield 5, 10, 20p* handsome stamps ..... .50
SIAM Red Cross 1918 2s or 3s each*.. .15
Red Cross 1b blue and black*.. 1.50
SIAM Red Cross 2b red & brown* 2.50
Victory 3s, 5s* ..... .35
SWITZERLAND Peace Stamps, 7½, 10, 15c* three of the prettiest stamps of recent years ..... .12
SWITZERLAND Industrial set 3, 5, 7½, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30c*. Mixed sets of the cheapest type 2.75
SWITZERLAND Industrial set, same as above, but all the small rare type. Cat. about $60 in French Cat. ...14.50
TURKEY Nos. 345, 346* ..... .15
25pi, No. 434* ..... .85
TURKEY Nos. 431, 432, 433 ..... 1.35
Nos. 438, 439 ..... 3.75
TURKEY No. 1215* ..... .10
Nos. 926, 928, 932* ..... .15
TURKEY We can supply most of Nos. 288 to 545, etc. What do you want?
UKRAINE 1919, 30c blue, 40c green, 50c red, thin paper ..... .58
UKRAINE on Austria, 3, 5, 6, 10, 12h* .50
on Russia, 1r perf.* ..... .95
UKRAINE on Austria 3, 5, 6, 10, 12, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 60, 80, 90h, 1, 2, 3, 4, 10k* complete 19.75
on Russia, 3½r imp. 2.50
UKRAINE on Russia 2, 4, 5k perf.* each .10
on Russia 1k, 3k imp.* each .10
UKRAINE on Russia 70k imperf.* ... 1.45
on Russia 1 ruble* imperf... .95

Those who collect War Stamps or 20th should keep in touch with us. We have and will have items few dealers will ever have.

APPROVALS

We do not have space here to list our books. Such lists have appeared in so many WEEKLY numbers, we feel it is not necessary. To those who do not have one of our past ads to refer to we will gladly send a list of books with full descriptions. We have approvals for all classes and kinds of collectors and solicit investigation and trial.

NEW EUROPE, ETC.

Under this head we have listed the new countries which have come into being as a result of the War, whether in Europe or elsewhere.

BARANYA on Hungary, 10f, 20f, 45 on 5f, 45 on 15f, 50f* ..... .65
BARANYA on Hungary, 60f green on pink* good stamp ..... .95
BARANYA on Hungary, 44 values, used. Almost a complete lot. Many scarce 39.00
CZECHO SLOVAKIA New Issue, 15, 25, 50, 75, 100, 120d*. Quite a pretty set .. .40
JUGO-SLAVIA on Hungary, complete set of 40 values. Only
JUGO-SLAVIA few issued of some val.*35.00
JUGO-SLAVIA 20h brown, Charity stp.* .25
JUGO-SLAVIA on Bosnia Pictorial set of 1910, 3, 5, 10, 20, 25, 30, 40, 45, 50h, 60 on 50h, 80h on 6h, 90h on 35h, 2k, 3k on 3h, 4k on 1k, 10k on 2h* comp. 4.75
JUGO-SLAVIA on Bosnia W.Char.10,15h 2.00
JUGO-SLAVIA on Bosnia Exp. 5h grn.* 1.50
JUGO-SLAVIA on Bosnia Dues 2, 4, 5, 6,10,20,25,30,40,50h,1k,3k* 4.25
JUGO-SLAVIA on Bosnia News 3 on 2h, 5 on 6h* ..... .48
JUGO-SLAVIA on Hungary, surcharged S.H.S. 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 15, 20, 20, 25, 35, 40, 50, 75, 80, 1k, 2k*, 16 var. 2.25
JUGO-SLAVIA 1919, 2, 3, 5, 10,20,25,45h* .50
1919, 1k, 3k, 5k* 1.50
JUGO-SLAVIA Dues 5, 10,20,50h,1,5,10k* 3.90
(Croatia)Slave breaking chains, 3, 5, 10, 20, 25, 40h*.. .50
(Croatia) 50, 60h, 1k, 2k* 1.00
LETTONIA 5, 10, 15k on writing paper* .15
5,10,15,20,35,50k ordinary pa. 1.25
5, 15, 35c just out ..... .25
POLAND German Warsaw issue, overprinted "Poczta Polska" 3, 5, 5 on 2½, 5 on 3, 10, 15, 20, 20, 25 on 7½, 30, 40, 60pf complete sets of 11 var., used.. 4.00
POLAND Same as above but no 3pf*.. 2.95
Bosnian War Charity "Karlfonds" sur. eagle and "Polska Poczta"* 10, 20, 45h comp. 3.75
POLAND Cracow Issue, eagle design in white,5,10,15,20,25,50,70k,1k* 1.35
POLAND Regular set, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 50f. 1M* imp. ..... .60
POLAND Reg. set, 1.50, 2, 2.50, 5m* imp. 2.50
Reg. set, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 50f, 1M*, perf. ..... .68
POLAND Reg.set,1.50, 2.,2.50, 5M* perf. 2.50
Reg. set, 3, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 50h, 1k* perf. ..... .60
POLAND Reg. set, same set imperf.* .60
Reg. set, 1.50, 2., 2.50, 5k imp.* 2.60
POLAND Reg. set, same set perf.*.... 2.60
Jub. issue 10, 15, 20, 25, 50f, 1m*. Quite a pretty set .... .40
POLAND For those who want postally used we have quite a variety on pieces of cover, etc.

WAR APPROVAL BOOKS.

For those who do not have much of a line of these stamps we have made up some books of cheaper and medium priced items. Customers known to us or others who give some proof of responsibility can have selections sent to choose from. These books will change but will run about the same as listed.

No. 1A European War Issues only, Austria to Hungary. Only issues of the older states $16.00
No. 1B Same as above, but including higher priced items. Many sets .....$35 and up
No. 2A European War Issues only, Hungary to Turkey. Many in sets $15.00
No. 2B Same, but higher priced stamps, etc. A good lot of Roumania, etc. ..$25.00 and up
No. 3A New Europe—Only countries that were born from War. Cheaper issues $8.00
No. 3B New Europe—As above, but the scarcer values, etc. Many complete sets $25 and up
No. 4A French Cols.—Red Cross issues mostly. A nice lot, & Red Cr. near cplt $10 and up
No. 5A Italian Issues—Issues of Italian Occ. and Colonies only. Cheaper values ...$12.00
No. 5B Same as above, but a better line Some very scarce stamps, Trent, Trieste, etc., etc. ..... $50 and up
No. 6A BRITISH COLS.—Mostly War Tax and a nice line of the cheaper issues 8.00

SPECIAL While the above books are classified and cover the run of War issues pretty close, we have some large books, really collections of these stamps. we will submit to those who wish to purchase $25 or more at a time. Their value runs from about $150. up, and we have made heavy sales from them. On account of the absence of catalogs, etc., these are very convenient for those who wish to see before buying. Special selections of wants. and rare items will be sent those who mean business. Prompt returns required as we are unable in many cases to obtain enough goods to meet our demands, and wish to hold as much unsold stock in hand as possible for orders.

SPECIAL U. S.

Some items here you seldom see offered by anyone. Pieces that for scarcity are worth much more, used blocks, plate strips, sheet tops, sheets, 5c errors, double prints, etc.

UNITED STATES.

$2.00 BLUE 1916 good average copies .45
1916 sup., look almost new .68
$5.00 GREEN 1916 good copies ..... .89
1916 superb, very fine .. 1.25
5c ERRORS Perf. 10, single stp., aver.* 2.95
Perf. 10, double, blk. 12 av. 8.75
U. S. ENV. 2c Die A on oriental buff No. 275* entire and fine as they make 'em. Cat. $10 ..... 3.95
DOUBLE PRINTS 3c purple, surface, very fine examples, well centered, strong impression*.. 2.50

USED BLOCKS OF FOUR.

$2.00 Blue 1916, nice blocks of 4 ..... 3.50
$5.00 Green 1916, fine blocks of 4 ..... 6.50
$5.00 black and green 1918, nice blks. 4 6.75
50c 1917, violet, No. 426, block of 4 .. .30
$1.00 1917, vio. brown, No. 427, blk. of 4 .65
2c Lincoln, 2c Hudson Fulton, imp., ea. .20
6c Aero, orange ..... .25

We have some other blocks, both of 4's and larger for those interested.

ENTIRE TOPS OF SHEETS.

Top strips of 10 stamps, with full margins, showing two plate numbers, top arrow, initials, etc Not a common thing and will brighten any U. S. collection.

1c Buffalo, green & black, strip 10 .. .35
2c Buffalo, red and black, strip 10 .. .55
4c Buffalo, brown and black, strip 10 1.50
5c Buffalo, blue and black, strip 10 .. 2.75
10c Buffalo, brown and black, strip 10 3.00
1c Omaha, top sheet, strip of 5* ..... .25
2c Omaha, top sheet strip of 5* ..... .35
1c green 1898, No. 279, plate strips 3 .10
2c orange red, 1898, No. 279b, plate strips of 3 ..... .50
1c Omaha, plate strips of 3 ..... .15
2c Omaha, plate strips of 3 ..... .25

We have about a thousand plate strips of the older issues. A chance for someone All mint and superb.

ENTIRE SHEETS.

These look nice, cost little, and one or two will brighten up any U. S. collection. All with full margins.

Sheets of 100, 1c Buffalo 2.50
Sheets of 100, 2c Buffalo 4.00
Sheets of 50, 4c Omaha 5.50
Sheets of 50, 5c Omaha 6.50
Sheets of 50, 10c Omaha 11.00
Sheets of 240, 2c Hudson-Fulton, Imp. 14.25
Sheets of 100, 2c 1916, with double 5c error, perf. 10 .....16.75
1c 1871 An entire half sheet with margins, etc., but no gum. A rare item. Fine condition, No. 145 95.00
1c 1871 An unused block four, No. 145. Brings more at auction 7.95
ENTIRE ENVELOPES We have some of these, older issues. 90c values, etc., entire unused. Not plenty now.

CENTRE BLOCKS.

1c, No. 389 ..... .20
2c, No. 390 ..... .30
6c Aeroplane ..... .35
16c Aeroplane ..... .98
24c Aeroplane 1.50
24c Aeroplanes, block of 12, with arrow, plates, etc.* 3.95

PERFECTION USED.

We recently got several lots that are so fine we can offer picked copies, better than one in 25 usually come as follows. All lightly cancelled, finely centered, full perfs., and beauties.

1916, $1 brown, No. 406 ..... .20
1917, 30c orange red, No. 425 ..... .05
1917, 50c light violet, No. 426 ..... .08
1917, $1 violet brown, No. 427 ..... .18
1917, $1 light brown (new shade) .... .25
Aero, 6c orange ..... .06
16c green ..... .15
24c red and blue ..... .28
1919, 13c yellow green ..... .13
Parcel Post, 75c rose ..... .15
$1.00 rose ..... .20

Remember these are wonderful copies in every respect.

OMAHA 4, 5, 8, 10c* ..... .60
Same in blocks of 4* 2.50
2c U. S. 1898, orange red* (cat. .25)... .09
1898, rose carmine* (cat. $2).. .88
IMPERF. 2c Lincoln* blocks 4 ..... .20
IMPERF. 2c Lincoln* line blocks of 4* .25
IMPERF. 2c Hudson Fulton* block 4* .20
2c Hud. Fulton* line blks. 4* .25

Used blocks of the two above stamps at same rates.

TELEGRAPH Pacific Postal 10, 15, 40, 50c. Four stamps missing in most U. S. collections 7.95

FRENCH COLONIALS.

Just a few offers in these underpriced and scarce stamps.

ZANZIBAR 1897, No. 2638* 1.50
1904, No. 2655 ..... 2.45
INDO CHINA 1900, 5c, 15c ..... .15
1900, 10c red ..... .22
SENEGAL 5 on 40c* ..... .12
1906, 25c blue ..... .07
TUNIS 1906, 1fr red & brown ..... .11
1906, 2frs brown & green .... .19
TUNIS 1906, P. P., 2frs ..... .07
1906, P. P., 5frs vio. & brown .40
SENEGAMBIA & NIGER 1903, 5c green .11
1903, 10c red. .12
SOMALI COAST 1902, 4c blue & red*.. .05
1903, 10c red & black .08

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

The great demand for U. S. together with impossibility of buying enough of them to keep the demand supplied, causes us to make these terms. In future we will supply U. S. postage 1847 to 1919 scarcer values only against want lists. Do not ask us to send you an app. book of early U. S. We will not submit those we do not have in quantity. It's just as easy to make out a want list if you mean business. This also will apply in a lesser degree to all other U. S. stamps. We have a good line of Departments, Newspapers, Dues, Revenues, Telegraphs, etc. We know our prices are right. We also have books of M. & M. and Envelopes we will submit on app. as stock is not large enough to warrant want lists. Further we say to those who still expect good to fine early U. S. at half cat. that there is nothing doing, those days are gone never to return. Ours will be priced as fair as is possible with regard to cost, etc.

PORTUGAL AND COLONIES.

These are one of our specialties and we make a few offers here. Good approvals to those who mean business.

PORT. CONGO 1914, 75r, No. 120* ($2.50) 1.10
1914, 50r, No. 124* ..... .48
PORT. INDIA 1r on 2r, No. 260c* .... .14
1r on 1r, No. 283* ..... .07
PORT. INDIA 1r on 2r, No. 283b* .... .14
6r on 4½r, No. 271* .... .14
PORT. INDIA 2½ on 6r, No. 319* ..... .35
3t on 2r, No. 387* ..... .07
ANGOLA 1914, 75r violet, No. 137* .... .12
1912, 25 on 75r, No. 117 ($1) .39
AZORES 1912, ¼, ½, 1, 1½, 2, 2½, 3, 7½, 8, 10c, a good cheap set ..... .35
AZORES 1912, 20, 30, 50c ..... .85
AZORES 1912, 1E green ..... .90
AZORES 1918, 1, 1½, 2, 3, 3½, 5, 7½ ..... .22
1c green surch. Multa in red
AZORES Rare Prov. 2.50
1919, ½c black sur. "Porteado" 5.00
CAPE VERDE 1902, 50r blue, No. 74 .. .07
1903, 15, 25, 50, 75r ..... .15
CAPE VERDE 1911, 75c violet ..... .07
1912, 5, 10, 20, 25, 50, 75r .25
7½ on 75, No. 125,post.used .25
MACAU ½a, No. 144* ..... .48
2a, No. 146* ..... .47
MACAU 1a green, No. 424* ..... .07
4a pale brown, No. 426* ..... .11
MACAU 8a brown, No. 428* ..... .22
12a brown, No. 429* ..... .22
MOZAMBIQUE CO. 1894, 75 to 1,000r .. .75
MOZAMBIQUE CO. 1895, 25 on 80r*,No.24 .98
'11, 24r gray,No.61a* .24
MOZAMBIQUE CO. 1918 Pict., ¼, ½, 1, 1½, 2, 2½, 5, 7½, 8c, 10c* .58
ST. THOS. & PRINCE 1913, 2½r gray* No. 141 (cat. 15c) .05
ST.THOS.& PR. '13,15r brn.,No.138*(50c) .20
'13,50r blue,No.139*(60c) .23
ST.THOS.& PR. '13,15r brn.No.167*(60c) .22
1913, 130r brn., No.149* .35
ST.THOS.& PR. 1913, 50 on 65r, No. 169* .23
1915, 130 on 5r, No.212* .22
TIMOR 1913, 5 on 50r, No. 122 ..... .60
1913, 6 on 2½r, No. 123* ..... .60
TIMOR 1913, 3a green, No. 129* ..... .60
1913, 1a red, No. 149* (12c) .. .04
TIMOR 1913, 78a black & red on blue*, No. 147*. A scarce stamp cat. $5 each 1.95
TIMOR 1913, Dues 1a green, No. 321* .48
1913, Dues 2a slate, No. 322* .. .48
ELOBEY 1908, 5 on 10c* violet (cat. $1.00) ..... .37
EGYPT 1914, 200m maroon ..... .45
Soudan 1906, 2pi, No. 819 ..... .37
EGYPT Soudan 1906, 2pi, No. 822 ..... .37
Soudan 1906, 5pi, No. 820 ..... 2.75
FERNANDO PO 1900, 40c brown* ..... .27
1900, 60c green* ($1.) .35
FERNANDO PO 1900, 80c blue* ($1.25) .48
1900, No. 88f* 1.75
GREECE 2pa, No. 581, cat. $2 ..... .69
1902, 1dr, No. 458 ..... .23
1902, 2dr, No. 459 ..... .48
NICARAGUA 1900, 2p salmon ..... .09
1900, 5p black ..... .10
NICARAGUA 1901, 5c on 1p,No.146a*($1) .25
1901, 5c on 1p,No.150a*($1) .25
NICARAGUA 1913, 1p on 5p, No. 337* .37
1911, 15 on 1p, No. 536*.. .07
PARAGUAY 1908, 20 on 2c, No. 154*.. .78
1908, 20 on 30c, No. 156*.. .85
1908, 20 on 5c, No. 170a* .78
SIAM 1908, 10t bistre and red 1.75
1908, 20t gray and brown 3.50
TURKEY 1915, 25 on 200pi, No. 287 .. 2.45
1913, Pict. 100pi, No. 269* .. 5.75

BRITISH COLONIALS.

Just a few offers in these. Space too limited for more.

BR. MOROCCO 1sh brown, No. 1249 .. .17
2sh 6p brown, No. 1239 .50
GAMBIA 1898, 1sh violet & green. You don't see this one floating around 1.35
JAMAICA 1905, 5sh violet & black, fine rubber stamped, fiscal used copies ..... .68
NIGERIA 1sh green, No. 8 ..... .19
2sh 6p black and red ..... .48
NIGERIA 3p violet, No. 13* ..... .12
1sh green, No. 15 ..... .22
NO. NIGERIA 6p violet & mauve ..... .10
2½ violet & blue, No. 22 .45
NO. NIGERIA 6p violet & mauve, No. 31 .42
2sh 6p red & blk., No. 36 .88
2sh 6p red & blk., No. 49 .48

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100 U. S., 3c green, nice condition .... .20
*Jamaica 1919, ½d red War Tax, o. g. .. .01
* 1919, 3d red War Tax, o. g. ..... .50
*Belgium 1919, 10c Albert Helmet, o. g. .05
*Papua, 1919, ½d green and black ..... .03
U. S. 1909, 2c 335a Lincoln, fine ..... .03
1909, 2c 336a Alaska-Yukon, fine .. .03
1909, 2c 335a Lincoln, pair ..... .12
1909, 2c 336a Alaska-Yukon, pair . .12
1910, 1c 338b fine ..... .03
1910, 1c 338b pair, fine ..... .08
1910, 1c 338c pair, fine ..... .08
1909, 1c auto vend. pair, cat. 25c, fine .10
1910, 2c 339d pair, fine ..... .15
1909, 2c 339e pair, fine ..... .15
1910, 3c 340c, fine ..... .06
1910, 3c 340c pair, fine ..... .13
1910, 4c 341a pair, fine ..... .20
1910, 2c 356b, fine ..... .05
1910, 2c 356b pair, fine ..... .10
1910, 2c 356c fine ..... .05
1910, 2c 356c pair, fine ..... .10
Acts 6c, o. g., .08; 16c, .20; 24c,.... .30
Postage extra on all orders under 50c.

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MR. REVENUE COLLECTOR:—

I still have left some of the 2c Documentary of the series, with a distinct double print. Only two pairs of a 100 were found and they are initialed but they cannot be had any other way. Considering their rarity my price is REAL LOW. I bought them at a fair figure and am offering them at much less than many of the 3c double postage were sold for and of the latter there were thousands.

If you are interested in **COILS** I can supply you with about 40-50 varieties. If you have never tackled this line let me make you up a representative selection at much less than recognized market prices. I am also a buyer of anything in the way of coils and would be pleased to buy anything nice including complete coils. Still looking for many of the small wines and proprietaries of the 1914 series in quantities I can sell.

PHILIP H. WARD, JR.,
P. O. Box 4216 Gtn., Phila., Pa.

LOOK THESE BARGAINS OVER

*Austria, Karlsfond, 3 values .....$ .25
* 1915, Charity, 5 values ..... .35
* 1916, "Porto", 6 varieties ..... .45
* 1916, Newspaper, 5 varieties ..... .20
Belgium, 1st German Occ., 5 var. .... .30
* 2nd German Occupation, 9 var... .55
3rd German Occupation, 6 var. .. .30
* Parcel Post, 19 varieties ..... .70
* Charity, Nos. 245 to 248, Cat. 30c .14
Bavaria, 1916 Official, No. 313 ..... .02
*Bulgaria, Roumania Occup., 15 bani .10
Canada, No. 16, .60; No. 24, .10; No. 72 .06
No. 21, .20; No. 16, .20; No. 79 .... .35
No. 24, .20; No. 17, .15; No. 80 .... .18
No. 35, .07; No. 71, .15; No. 88 .... .06
Egypt 1914, complete, 14 var. cat. $2.40 1.00
*Fiume, First issue, 5 varieties ..... .10
*New German Republic, 3 vars. ..... .09
*Italy, "di Corona" 15 values, fine .. 1.35
"Venezia Tridentina," 3 vars. .. .20
Jamaica 1912, 61 to 68, Cat. 96c ..... .40
*Jugo-Slavia, 6 varieties, obsolete .... .20
Liberia 1906, 1c to 75c, cat. $2.80 .... 1.30
1906, Official, same 1.30
1909, 1c to 75c, Cat. $1.57 ..... .80
1909, Official, same ..... .80
1903, Registered, 5 varieties ..... .35
1911, Nos. 134-135, Cat. .35 ..... .15
*Mozambique Co. 1918, 4 varieties .... .09
*North Borneo, Red Cross, 4 var., fine .45
Roumania, 186 to 195, Cat. .57 ..... .25
1908, 9 var. fine, Cat. $2.88 ..... 1.30
1914, 224 to 229, Cat. .57 ..... .25
1911, Dues, 540 to 548, comp. ... .60
Dues, German Occupation, 5 var. .25
1918, German Occupation, 5 var... .40

MANY OTHERS IN STOCK.

NOTICE.—I am breaking up a fine collection and have many fine items to submit against first-class reference. Tell me your wants. Get on my mailing list for new things.

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Mr. Stamp Collector!!

I want to get 50 more Customers for my Approval Dept. and I will give free to all who send me a Five Dollar bill as deposit, $10.00 cat. value good clean stamps, no junk, torn, damaged or revenue. My approvals are 50% of Scott and you will find many hard-to-get stamps amongst them.

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Special: If you wish to get a set of the very scarce Ballot stamps from Slesvig 2½pf-10 mark you better book your order now. 14 var., cheap at $5.75. [12

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3c RED ERROR
U. S. entire, white, Envelope, unused
W. SCHWEDE, [14
107 Columbia St., Seattle, Wash.

GERMAN-AUSTRIA.
1918-19, surcharged: "Deutschoesterreich" on 1916 issue, 3 heller to 10 kronen, 19 values, compl. set, used on addressed cover $3.50
1918-19, the same "unused" cpl. set (19) 3.00
1919, New issue, 3h to 1kr 12 values, cplt. set used on addressed cover .75
1919, The same set unused ..... .50
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Singles, pairs or better, used or unused in any condition. Will pay market price or better and registration fees both ways. Collectors having specimens showing imprint they do not desire to sell will greatly aid the study of this stamp by communicating with the undersigned. I have nothing to offer for sale or exchange and do not want any other stamps. [11

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(Perforated)

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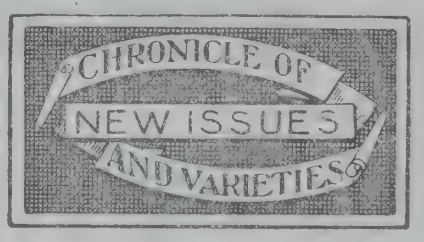

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—From a newspaper clipping we learn that the Post Office Department has been requested by a member of Congress to issue a special series of postage stamps to commemorate the 300th anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims. Whether this request will meet the same fate that similar requests for special issues, here of late, have met we cannot say. We, however, do know that if the Post Office Department considers for one minute the rushed condition of the Bureau, no new burdens will be placed upon them.

If favorable consideration is given the request, we certainly second the excellent recommendations of the *New England Stamp Monthly* as to subjects. Quoting from their "Bulletin,"—

"The historic 'Mayflower,' which brought not only the Pilgrims but the enormous store of household goods and trinkets that so many people now possess, should have the chief place, perhaps. Then the signing of the 'Compact,' that historic document which began democratic government in the New World, which took place in the cabin of the 'Mayflower,' ought really to be one of the features of the series. Some may prefer that the 'Embarcation of the Pilgrims from Delft Haven,' depicted on one of the big canvases in the Rotunda of the Capitol at Washington, should be included, as its companion paintings, 'The Landing of Columbus' and 'The Declaration of Independence,' have already been reproduced on our stamp issues. A view of Provincetown Harbor, the first landing place of the Pilgrims, might serve for a third value of the series, and the famous 'Plymouth Rock,' on which it is claimed Mary Chilton was the first one to step at Plymouth, should assuredly have an honored place in the set. Unless someone else has a better list, we should recommend these for consideration. If a portrait is desired, there is the famous leader and Governor of the Colony for so many years, William Bradford. Again, some might want to include the 'Forefathers' Monument' at Plymouth, or the 'Pilgrims' Monument' at Provincetown; but these being latter-day commemorative shafts themselves, should give way, we think, to something more intimately connected with the actual event being celebrated. It is none too early to make suggestions, at any rate, and the above are ours, which we give for what they may be worth."

In a recent issue of the *American Philatelist* a detailed list of Bureau plates was given and in the list we were informed that plates Nos. 10073 to 100076 inclusive were of the 1c denomination, 400 subjects for offset printing. We desire to correct an error, as these four plates were for the engraved stamps. We wish to thank Mr. Arthur E. Owen for this information.

Mr. Charles A. Sleicher as well as Dr. Tedescher have shown us copies of the current 2c perforated 11 on unwatermarked paper in a very dark shade of lake, somewhat resembling the 12c. Only part of the sheet was in this color and it is your editor's personal opinion that this is a changeling due to the stamps being subjected to fumes of some kind. As these stamps have been found in widely distant localities, it is believed that the change of color probably took place before the stamps left Washington.

Mr. Eugene Klein has shown us quite an unusual block that we do not recall having seen heretofore, namely the 2c black, Jackson, of the issue of 1866, in an imperforate condition. The block of four is printed in a deep black on a bluish paper similar to that paper upon which most of the unused 3c 1861 imperforates are found. We are unable to furnish any information relative to the history of this stamp.

We have recently had shown us a sheet of the 1c compound perforated 11x10 rotary print, upon unwatermarked paper, which appeared at first glance to be a double print. Close inspection, however, showed it to be nothing more than a smear. Such a variety, however, is quite unusual in the case of a rotary impression.

More varieties of the provisional "Narcotic" surcharges have been brought to our attention. One valued correspondent sends us the Cincinnati $1 surcharged horizontally, in red. Mr. R. E. Wade, Jr., writes to state that the entire series has been surcharged in Seattle, whereas heretofore we have only known definitely of the 1c to 10c values inclusive. Mr. Wade informs us that he has seen several with inverted surcharge.

ABYSSINIA.—M. Maury informs us that the 4 guerches value of the new series has been so badly produced that the Ethiopian Government has decided not to issue it. Pending the appearance of an improved stamp in the definite type, they have authorized the issue of a provisional—viz.: 4 guerches on 4 thalers, brown and marone. (One thaler is equal to sixteen guerches.)—*Stamp Collecting.*

BELGIUM.—Joseph V. K. Wells announces the receipt of the 15c deep violet stamp of the Helmet type. He also calls attention to the fact that the 5fr stamp of the same type is 30x37 mm. in size.

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ROUMANIA (*Levant P. O.*).—The current Roumanian stamps, overprinted with POSTA ROMANA CONSTANTINOPLE and Royal monogram in circle, are still in use at the Roumanian Post Office in Constantinople. A further stamp has now been overprinted—viz.:—TIMBRU DE AJUTOR, 5 bani green.—*Stamp Collecting.*

ST. LUCIA.—We are advised that a new issue of the 1 shilling value will be put on sale about the first of next year in this colony.

SALVADOR.—Mr. Fred L. Onken has shown us a copy of a new type 1 colon stamp recently issued for this republic. The color is blue and black with the picture of some native gentleman within a frame in the center. "Correos El Salvador" in a half circle at the top, "1" at each side and "Un Colon" at the bottom.

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The Boston Book gives the following data:—

Die approved, April, 1880.
First issued, May, 1880.
Last issued, Jan. 20, 1881.
210 stamps per sheet, (14x15).
4,166,000 issued in black on watermarked paper.

The first printing of this stamp was made by the American Bank Note Co. from plate No. 119. Stamps issued after October 1, 1880, may have been printed by the same company before that date or may have been from a new printing by the Bureau. The writer has not seen any copies that could certainly be identified as Bureau prints.

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NEW ISSUE NOTES

By CHARLES S. THOMPSON.

(While some of these stamps may have been covered in our Chronicle, we think it best to use this matter sent in by Mr. Thompson as being of interest to those who are collecting the new European issues.—W. O. W.)

Turkey.—Stamp money, produced by pasting current pictorials on thick, pale-yellow paper, and re-perforating. The second set of perforations gauge the same as before, but holes are smaller,—.4 to .5 as against .7 mm., and the two rows do not always coincide, by any means.

The stamps are typographed, the designs new. The 5 para carmine is very similar to Scott's type A42, but with two larger male figures, facing the observer, instead of several smaller ones "a dos."

The 10-para is in grey-green, and shows a view of a mosque quite similar to the Adrianople issue, type A23, but with the distinctive difference of having an obelisk (that of the hippodrome) in the foreground. The top inscription is exactly similar to that on type A46, the bottom and side decorations the same, except that the Sultan's portrait is lacking:—

5 paras carmine.
10 paras grey-green.

Batoum.—Complete series received. All are imperf.:—

5kop green.
10kop blue.
50kop yellow.
1rub umber.
3rub purple madder.
5rub light umber.

The design consists of a crude representation of what apparently is intended to be *Aloe vera,* the European aloe, in a circular frame, with "Batumskaya Poschta" at top, in Russian characters, numerals of value in squares in lower corners, and abbreviated name of coin, either "Kop" or "Rub" between.

South Russia.—Current imperfs. schgd. with new values. The first five values show serif type surcharges:—

25k on 1k,
25k on 2k,
50k on 3k,
50k on 5k,
1r on 3k,
1r on 3k, sans-serif type.

Cilicia.—Pictorial types surcharged with the T. E. O. Cilicie surcharge of the second variety. (Scott's Circular Oct., '19).

A43 5p orange, surch. dull blue (mosque).
A45 20p dp. rose, sur. pale blue (monument).

It should be noted that this type of surcharge is printed and not handstamped, as in the case of the first three types of overprint.

T. E. O. indicates "Territories ennemis occupés"—occupied enemy territory. Scott's illustrations of the first and second types of handstamped surcharges are entirely too large. The overprint is made with a very poor quality of ink, apparently ordinary writing ink applied to an aniline rubber-stamp pad. This incompatible combination produces a smeary, mussy impression, and many of the stamps have considerable ink daubed on them, in addition to the overprint. Future falsifiers of these surcharges are going to have a hard time making their work bad enough to escape easy detection!

Temesvar.—Just received this set, Hungarian stamps with new values surcharged in various fonts. There are nine varieties, and I believe the surcharged postage dues were used as ordinary stamps. Here is the list:—

10f on 2f, Mowers, blue schg. in ord. 1c type.
45f on 10f+2f, blue charity, in ord. 1c type.
30f on 2f, Mowers, blk. schg. diag., fancy letters.
K.1.50 on 15f, Mowers, blk. schg. diag., fancy letters.
K.1.50 on 15f, Mowers, red schg. diag., fancy letters.
50f on 20f, Chas. coronation, diag., fancy letters in blue.
40f on 2f due, ornate Roman caps, diag. in blk.
60f on 2f due, ornate Roman caps, diag. in blk.
100f on 2f due, ornate Rom. caps, diag. in blk.

These apparently form a continuous series of the following values: 10, 30, 40, 45, 50, 60, 1.00 and 1.50. The Serbs are alleged to be responsible for these surcharges, as Temesvar is within their zone of occupation. It is reported that the postal rates have been increased three fold, hence the variety of overprints, especially on little-used low values. Temesvar is the county seat of Temes and is about 60 miles from Szegedin. It is a very old place, its age being fully 700 years. Population *was* about 60,000.

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By BERTRAM W. H. POOLE.

CHAPTER I.—*Introduction.*

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New Brunswick, as a part of Nova Scotia, was ceded to Great Britain by France in 1713, but the boundaries were not settled until 1763. The first British settlers emigrated from Scotland to the Miramichi district in 1764; and in 1783, at the close of the American revolution, a large body of the loyalists of the United States settled near St. John. New Brunswick was made a separate colony in 1784. In 1867 it united with Nova Scotia, Ontario and Quebec in forming the Dominion of Canada—a confederation which now includes the whole of British North America with the exception of Newfoundland.

The philatelic history of New Brunswick is very brief. In 1851 a series of three values was issued, these handsome labels being the work of the famous firm of Perkins, Bacon & Company, Ltd. In 1860 a new set appeared owing to the change of currency to the decimal system and this set was superseded in 1868 by the general set for the confederated provinces.

CHAPTER II.—*Postal Rates.*

In 1851, in common with the other colonies of Great Britain in British North America, New Brunswick was given control of its own Postoffice department, and to meet the expected change an Act was passed on April 26th, 1850, establishing Inland Posts. Mr. Donald A. King, whose articles in *Stanley Gibbons' Monthly Journal* in the 'nineties are indispensable to any student of the stamps of British North America, gives copious extracts from the various official documents relating to postal affairs in New Brunswick and to these we are indebted for much of the following information.

The Act of April 26th, 1850, with a few necessary amendments, remained in force until the Confederation of 1867. The most interesting sections of this Act from a philatelic point of view are the following:

"VI.—And be it therefore enacted, That all letters delivered in this province or posted therein shall be charged at the uniform rate of Postage of three pence currency for every letter not exceeding half an ounce in weight, together with an additional three pence for each additional half ounce up to twelve ounces, provided always that the Lieutenant Governor in Council may fix a higher rate than three pence for each half ounce, for letters from those countries with which her Majesty at such time may have no Postal Convention.

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The above extracts are interesting as showing not only the rate of postage on ordinary letters but also as explaining that the use of postage stamps was to be entirely obligatory. The general public did not take any too kindly to what they considered new-fangled notions in those days, and the rarity of these early New Brunswick stamps is largely due to the fact that during their nine years of currency they were anything but generally used.

Before the Act of 1850 came into force, an additional act was passed on March 15th, 1851, more closely defining the scale of charges, which were to correspond, "as far as may be, with the relative scale of weights and charges now or hereafter to be established in the United Kingdom". In this act authority was also given for entering into postal arrangements with the United States.

The Post-office Act of New Brunswick does not seem to have been so specific on certain points as those issued in the other Colonies, consequently an Order in Council was passed defining the rules and regulations to be followed. As this document is interesting, we are making somewhat lengthy extracts, viz:—

"POST OFFICE ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW BRUNSWICK

General Regulations.

4.—In conformity with the Post-office Acts it is hereby declared, and so far as regards the Province of New Brunswick, it is ordered, as follows:—On and after this date, all letters transmitted by Post in British North America, with the exception of Packet Letters to or from the United Kingdom, and Letters to or from Newfoundland and the United States, will be liable to a uniform rate of three pence currency per half ounce, for whatever distance conveyed (prepayment will be optional), the charge increasing according to the following scale of weights: thus, on a letter not exceeding half an ounce in weight, threepence currency, on a letter over half an ounce in weight and not exceeding one ounce, sixpence currency, and so on.

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Letters.

1. The Packet rate on letters to and from the United Kingdom will be as follows, namely:—"via Halifax" one shilling sterling, or one shilling and threepence currency; and on letters specially addressed "via New York" or "via the United States" one shilling and twopence sterling, or one shilling and five pence halfpenny currency, prepayment being optional, the charge increasing according to the present rates, thus: A letter not exceeding half an ounce in weight, one rate; a letter exceeding half an ounce and not one ounce, two rates; and so on, adding two rates for every additional ounce.

Books, Magazines, Etc.

2. Printed Books, Magazines, Reviews, or Pamphlets, whether British Colonial or Foreign, may be sent through the Post from this Colony to the United Kingdom or from the United Kingdom to this Colony, or through the United Kingdom to or from this Colony or any other British Colony, whether the conveyance be by Packet or private ship, at the following rates of postage: For a single volume not exceeding half a pound in weight, sevenpence halfpenny currency. For a single volume exceeding half a pound in weight, and not exceeding one pound, one shilling and threepence currency, and so on, adding one shilling and threepence currency for every additional pound or fraction of a pound. * * * The postage thereon, according to the above rates, must in all cases be prepaid.

United States.

1. Letters posted at any office in New Brunswick, addressed to any place in the United States except California and Oregon, will be rated at the uniform rate of sixpence currency per half ounce.

2. Letters posted in any part of the United States, except California or Oregon, will be rated with a uniform rate of ten cents, equal to sixpence currency per half ounce.

3. The postage rate on letters passing between New Brunswick and California and Oregon will be a uniform charge of ninepence currency, equal to fifteen cents per half ounce.

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6. Prepayment of letters passing between New Brunswick and any place within the United States, including California and Oregon, will in all cases be optional.

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9. New Brunswick postage stamps, when used, will be taken in the United States as evidence of the prepayment of postage on letters going from New Brunswick to the United States and the postage stamps of the United States, Nova Scotia, or Canada, on letters coming into New Brunswick from such States or Provinces respectively are to be taken by Postmasters in this Province as evidence of prepayment having been made in the same respectively.

Newfoundland.

The charge on letters to and from Newfoundland will be for a single letter not exceeding more than half an ounce sevenpence halfpenny; namely, fourpence halfpenny the Packet rate and threepence the Inland, prepayment being optional, increasing one rate for each half ounce or fraction of half an ounce; and on letters for Bermuda and the West Indies the Inland rate of threepence must be prepaid in advance, the packet rate will be fourpence halfpenny for each letter weighing not more than half an ounce, and increasing one rate for each additional half ounce or fraction thereof, and the prepayment will be optional."

A study of the above named postal rates will show that the three stamps issued, bearing the facial values of 3d, 6d and 1s, respectively, were ill adapted for the prepayment of more than a few of the charges. In consequence, the stamps were but sparingly used and more frequently than not, even when letters, etc., were prepaid, such prepayment was made in cash and the packages were merely marked "paid".

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4. On letters for Bermuda and Newfoundland the rate of postage is sixpence halfpenny sterling, or eightpence currency, the half ounce, and the West Indies, tenpence halfpenny sterling, or one shilling and one penny currency the half ounce.

5. On letters for the above places (except the foreign West Indies) the Provincial rate of threepence currency the half ounce must be collected, but the prepayment of the rest of the postage is optional.

6. The whole postage on letters for the foreign West Indies must be paid in advance.

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NEWS GLEANINGS.

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—We are indebted to Harry B. Mason for a clipping from the Washington *Star* giving the particulars of an air-mail landing in Washington, D. C., of mail for the city post office. A parachute was used and its burden of mail was captured by Postmaster Chase and other P. O. Department officials, as they ran across the Plaza in pursuit of the fleeing mail. The sack contained a shipment of eggs, not one of which were broken, but the thing that will interest philatelists the most is the statement that a new purple cancellation stamp was put into use for the first time. Mr. Mason has seen the 6c and 16c airplane stamps, also the 1c perf. 11x10 with the cancellation in question. He writes that there were about 140 letters all told.

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—Bridgeport, Conn., has a live philatelic club, and we have received a local newspaper clipping giving the particulars of a recent meeting, when five applications for membership were favorably acted upon. R. S. Foster of Bridgeport exhibited his collection of U. S. stamps. Any person residing in or near that city who desires information can address the secretary, at 30 Randall Av., Bridgeport.

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CRETE COUNTERFEITS.

By CHAS. S. THOMPSON.

There are at least three different counterfeits of CRETE No. 1 on the market at the present time. One of these is very well done, the paper being much like that of the genuine stamp, but the design is too small. The other two forgeries are on paper quite different from that of the originals, and are wider, and not so tall, as the genuine stamp. They have forged control marks which are quite like those of the originals, but somewhat more finished in appearance.

Two of the counterfeits have practically the same tint as the genuine stamp; the third is badly off color. In view of the fact that the real article is such an utterly disreputable-looking stamp, the writer feels that publication of the small details which distinguish the real from the bogus would only result in a more perfect imitation being made. Hence it is advised that all offers of Crete No. 1 should be scrutinized carefully, and "bargains" should be regarded as being absolutely unlike Cæsar's wife. Have your stamp expertized, and be sure to get a guarantee of "satisfaction or money back".

There are *no* reprints of Crete No. 1; the metal hand-stamp with which they were made was destroyed January 20, 1899. Champion says that the stamp was "un cachet en caoutchouc", which is entirely erroneous; a rubber stamp would have produced an entirely different sort of impression than the one these stamps impressed with a metal die show.

Used copies of Crete No. 1 are very scarce, and in the few copies with which the writer is acquainted, the cancellation consists of a Union Jack with town name in a circle. In some cases the control was used as a cancellation, and when this is the case, the entire word HPAKLEION does not appear on the stamp, part of it falling on the cover. The characteristics of the genuine control may be learned from Crete No. 2, 3, 4 or 5, which are quite common with it.

It should be mentioned, in connection with above, that the copies of Crete No. 1 offered by two prominent New York firms are the real article.

A BRIGHTEN THE CORNER LETTER.

By ROY S. BARKER.

(We take the liberty of printing the following letter. It combines business, news and friendly chat in such a manner as to make it worth while using. Our impression is that Mr. Barker is making a good secretary for the R. I. P. S. and the interest that is being manifested in Providence in philately is an assurance that the National Society will have a fine reception next August when it holds its annual convention there.—W. O. W.)

Enclosed please find a dollar bill for 100 "Charms" which please forward to me at above address. I have use for them.

There is a movement on foot to start among the Boy Scout Troops, sixty of them in Rhode Island, a stamp club in every troop and there is also a movement among the churches to do something along the same lines.

The R. I. P. S. have a Junior Committee which has been doing good work at Saint Stephen's Church and the membership is now about fifty boys. But other churches are also interested in trying to keep boys off the streets and away from the movies.

Yesterday, when I spoke to the leader of the Scouts about what we were doing, he said, "You have suggested just what I was looking for and I will go ahead, even if I get no further help or suggestion from the older society."

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The boys must be encouraged and they will be in Providence as never before. The A. P. S. in 1920 will see something of this movement, I'm sure of that now.

THE SECOND JAPAN FLIGHT.

By R. YOKOHORI.

(We are indebted to Mr. Yokohori for an extended account of the successful aerial flight of October 22. The story is accompanied with a newspaper clipping showing pictures of the aviators. We also have a map of Japan by Mr. Yokohori, which evidences considerable skill and which we regret we are unable to reproduce.—W. O. W.)

I am very glad to inform your readers that the second flight planned between Tokyo and Osaka under the auspices of the Imperial Aviation Association has taken place. Three aviators, Messrs. Mizuta, Yamagata and Sato, on Oct. 22, left Tokyo under conditions that were very favorable. The weather was fine and the whole sky was one of clear blue. Of the three aviators Lieut. Mizuta was obliged to land when about fifty miles from Osaka, but the other two aviators were successful in reaching Osaka and two bags of mail loaded on each airplane were delivered to the P. O. authorities.

On the following day, Oct. 23, the return flight from Osaka was carried out by the two aviators, Mr. Sato receiving the first prize for having covered the distance in the shortest period of time. It was my privilege to witness the arrival of the airplanes at Susaki, and soon after I got there I could see a small dot between the gray-colored southwest clouds gradually approaching, and within a few seconds we could see its proud figures printed in dark green above our heads. The aviator was greeted with "banzai" like a thunder peal and clapping of hands like a hailstorm.

THE 6c PART PERF.

By PHILIP H. WARD, JR.

I can assure the Rev. G. E. Richter that my notes regarding the 6c part perf. were not meant to be other than courteous, and if they appeared otherwise it was due to the manner in which I expressed the thought rather than any intentions upon my part to seem other than courteous.

If Rev. Richter will refer to my letter to him he will distinctly find that I had looked into the subject before I received his stamp and that I informed him that the records of the Bureau and of the Post Office showed that one coil only was reeled and that one coil was destroyed. At the same time I referred him to my article upon coils in the *Philatelic Gazette* wherein I gave a detailed history of this variety. I told the Rev. Richter, however, that when again in Washington I would look up the subject again, and this I have since done with the same results. Mr. J. M. Bartels also received the same information that one coil only was made and one destroyed as per his notes in the *Philatelic Gazette* Vol. I, page 42.

Where U. S. coils are concerned I do not bow to the opinion of Mr. Power nor anyone else, for I believe I have given more study to coils than any other student and to date my article upon the subject is the only detailed one ever published covering the entire ground. It may be of interest to mention that Mr. Power's excellent book on 20th Century included both the 3c perf. 12 double line watermark coil and the 1c with every other row of perfs. missing, and as a result of my studies these were later deleted. I just mention this to show that none of us can be right all the time.

I still maintain that the 6c coil does not exist and I further claim that no authority has any grounds for passing upon a single specimen in the face of all the evidence against it. I referred to this variety especially in my chronicle to counteract any impression that might be gotten from previous notes stating that the stamp existed.

NEW SWISS JUVENTUTE.

By A. KOECHLIN.

There will be issued in December a new set of Juventute stamps. The arms series started last year is to be continued. This time there will be three stamps consisting of the 7½c with arms of the Vaud Canton and 10 and 15c with arms of the Canton Underwald. The stamps will be sold only during the month of December at a premium of 2½c for each 5c.

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THE MANAGING EDITOR.

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By E. D. E. van WEENEN.

THE "ONE SHILLING."

The "One Shilling" value made its appearance on January 21, 1913, on the same wmkd. paper and perforations as the previous values. The colour at first is what is known in the printing trade as a Victoria lake green, very near to a sea-green. Stanley Gibbons describe it as a blue-green, but the blue-green shades did not appear till the later printings on this paper. I have at least six shades, three of each. In the earliest there appears a peculiar variety, possibly due to the ink roller not having been properly cleaned. The colour shows irregularly and streaky. Another likely cause may be in the ink not having been thoroughly stirred. In the blue-green printings this defect is not noticeable, the colour showing very clear all over. The only variety I have noticed in a large collection of these stamps is where some stamps have been badly perforated, removed and (officially) replaced by others and attached by small strips of paper to the sheet with gum. A minor variety shows the circle of value broken.

Although the 1s on the Tudor crown was printed in May, 1915, it was not on sale until about the middle of August of that year, the colour being a blue-green, which ran into shades in the later printings. The paper is, however, of a somewhat stouter texture than the first Crown printing. I do not know of any varieties.

The 1s on the third or narrow Crown paper appeared some time in July, 1916, the colour being a blue-green, although of a lighter shade than that of the first of the Tudor Crown printing. But it has varied a good deal since, and there are at least two textures of paper. The watermark does not alwavs appear in the centre of the stamp. As far as I know there are no notable varieties thus far.

THE "TWO SHILLINGS."

This value first appeared on January 25, 1913, on the same watermarked paper and perforations as the other mentioned values. The colour is a dark brown, which varied in shades in later printings. One of the electros shows a white line over the word "Two" and part of the word "Shillings," and the break in the map line—above 2s—shows very distinct. One dark shade, rather slovenly printed, shows vertical divisions of the horizontal lines, just like brickwork. I do not know of any varieties.

It made its appearance on the Tudor or King George paper in August, 1915, the colour being a lighter brown than on the previous paper. It is known with double perforation, and slovenly or misprint impression.

The third Crown paper for this value was printed about April, 1916, although it was not issued until two months later. The colour is quite distinct from the others, being a red-brown, although Gibbons lists all three as brown only. There is a variety of shades, one or two leaning towards deep brown, and it is found with the watermark inverted.

THE FIVE AND FORTY SHILLINGS VALUES.

The bi-colour kangaroo stamps are to a large extent of greater interest than the other values, since the two colours necessitated separating the electros in two parts. Not being certain on the varying position of the Kangaroo, I wrote to Mr. T. S. Harrison, the Australian Note and Stamp Printer, and he kindly sent me the following reply: "The Kangaroo stamp was cut all in one die, or, to put it plainly, cut on one solid piece of steel. In the making of the printing plates for the one colour values, the position of the Kangaroo with the border was immovable.

"When the higher values—5s and upwards—necessitated a bi-colour stamp, two plates were required, one for the border and one for the Kangaroo. The irregularity of the position of the Kangaroo on the higher value stamps is simply a matter of register on the printing machines, and not of any variations whatsoever in the printing plates."

I had already thought that the centre design of the stamps was a movable one, but determined to have my opinion supported. The official explanation is, no doubt, satisfactory, but it is not easy to account for the difference in the length of the Kangaroo, from tip of ear to tip of tail, as given later on.

The 5s on the Kangaroo paper appeared on March 20, 1913, the Kangaroo being a pale grey, the map white, and the body of the stamp yellow, with a touch of chrome in it. In one of the later printings the chrome infusion has disappeared, and it is a light yellow. The shade of grey also varies. The texture of the paper is thinner than the printing on the other papers.

In the ½d to 2s values, the Kangaroo measures 12½ mm. from tip of ear to tip of tail; in the 5s it runs from 12¾ to 13 mm. On some of the stamps the end of the tail is almost square. The outlines of the Kangaroo are very distinct in this value. I have not heard of any varieties.

It appeared on the Tudor Crown paper in August, 1915, although printed six months earlier. The first printing was in a lighter yellow, but darker grey than on the first Crown paper, and the paper is stouter in texture. A later printing is a decidedly chrome yellow. Some peculiarities of position of the Kangaroo apply to this issue. In a block of four I have the ear is close up to the frame line of the map, and has its tip cut off. On the right-hand stamp the tip of the ear comes to a fine point, also close up to the line. The left-hand stamp below shows the tip of the ear just over the line, and on the right-hand stamp the tip of the ear covers the line, and just above the ear the line is broken. Other varieties in the block are:—First stamp: the inlet or bay on the map to the left of 5s runs nearly up to the hind foot of the kangaroo; on the stamp to the right it is cut down closer than normal. On the two bottom stamps (bottom of the sheet) the frame line to the right of 5s is broken. Minor varieties are the short bar of value, thin, and running up to the diagonal bar, and the stroke shaped like a wedge; also part of the top of "5" cut off on the left.

The third or narrow Crown paper appeared in April, 1918, and the shade of colour is nearer to that on the first Crown. It exists with the watermark inverted. I have not heard of any other varieties than those already described.

The 10s on the Kangaroo Crown, like the 5s, appeared on March 20, 1913, the paper being medium thin. The colour of the body is a clear pink and the kangaroo is grey, same shade as the 5s. In most of the specimens I have, the tail of the kangaroo comes closer to the line than in the 5s value, and is cut off square, but in a sheet I inspected only the first two stamps of the top row show this position, while the balance show the ears close up to the frame line. In one or two specimens I noted the toe of the near foot of the kangaroo had penetrated the line.

There was no issue of the 10s on the Tudor paper, but it appeared on the third Crown paper on February 5, 1917. The paper is a little stouter and the shade of pink varies.

The £1 stamp on the Kangaroo paper was issued on the same date as the 10s, and on the same quality paper. The colours are brown (centre) and blue, but they vary in shade in both colours. In the light shade the tail of the kangaroo is cut off square, and the end represented by two lines, one thin, the other thick. In the dark shade the tail is normal. The minor varieties consist of (1) the horizontal line above the letter "N" of "ONE" broken in two places; (2) the left line of the promontory penetrating through the frame line; (3) a coloured dot to the left of the small white shield (representing Tasmania); (4) the frame line broken on the west and south of the map line.

There was no issue of the £1 stamp on the Tudor paper, but it appeared on the 3rd Crown paper in July, 1916, the shades of brown and blue being about the same. In June, 1917, the centre design was printed in an orange brown, and the shade of blue somewhat different to the previous issues. As far as I know, no notable variety of the issue is known.

The £2 value appeared on the "Kangaroo" Crown paper on April 8, 1913, the colours being black (centre) and rose. I have seen two shades of these. In the dark shades I have, the tail is cut off square, and in the light shades normal. I know of no varieties. This value has only been printed thus far on the first Crown paper.

I must mention that in my description of the Commonwealth stamps I am indebted to Mr. H. L. White, who allowed me to inspect his fine collection. It is the only one in which I have seen a sheet of the King George 1d on multiple paper.

Since I have written these articles I have received several letters from collectors calling my attention to varieties I omitted to describe. Most of them are minor ones, due to slovenly printing, but I have so many of them in my own collection that I gave the cataloguing of them best. One writes that he has a 2d on the 1st Crown posted in Sydney a day later than I mentioned; and he was told that it did not appear till January 3. He is under a misapprehension. The 2d on the 1st Crown appeared on January 16, 1913, and that on the Tudor Crown on January 2, 1915. It is evident he refers to this issue. It is quite possible that a friend may have obtained some from a postal official the day before they were made available for sale. In a long list of varieties he mentions the 1d no wmk., from a slot machine, a coloured line across background, and extra island adjoining Tasmania. The no wmk. is inexplicable. I have seen stamps showing only portion of the wmk., but none so far without it. The part wmk. is due to the sheet not being cut so that the wmk. shall show on every stamp. The 1d slot machine is quite correct, and is an omission on my part. The coloured line across background is due to slovenly printing, and the extra island is described in the £1 stamp.

Another writer says he has the ½d on multiple Crown paper with the watermark inverted.

I have refrained from describing the postal stationery, as a full list would occupy far more space than this journal can afford. Besides, only a small minority collects stationery, thus a description of it would be of little benefit to the general body of collectors.—*Australian Philatelist.*

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Wherefores—It is interesting to hear the opinions expressed to account for the great progress made by philately recently. We know how the war stimulated rather than stifled the collecting inclination, but it has been something of a wonder to find that it flourishes best during post-war conditions. There are the accepted reasons to explain this activity such as the epochal issues of Neurope and the easy financial circumstances of a good number of people. We notice that a disordered state of mind, nationally, furnishes a background for showing to advantage the somewhat elusive qualities that collecting embodies. Philately always affords a sanctuary where forgetfulness may be found of the humdrum of life and conversely, when unaccustomed excitements breed a mental turmoil, it affords a haven of rest for the mind quivering from stress or strain. The comforting pleasures of philately are recognized more fully by its followers than ever before and the kindly light of the pursuit shines as a beacon to catch the eye of those members of the heedless public that have a mind at all receptive to philately.

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Lucre—The strength of the philatelic foundation is attested to by the heavy investments in stamps that the shrewdest dealers are making when they have the opportunity. Tales have reached us of the purchase of specialized and other collections by scouting dealers for round sums of money; and latterly there has appeared on the scene a sort of private dealer or speculator who buys quietly himself or through emissaries for the sake of the profit that he anticipates from the re-sale of the stamps. We are pleased to see this manifestation of confidence in the security of stamps; and even the humblest collector must feel gratified to know that a general demand for stamps has gven his modest possessions a decided firmness. Where a decade ago, there was one seeker with speculative eye for stamp investments, there are now a dozen. The more give and take there is, the busier our world becomes and factors that promote activity are to be encouraged. When we expand the market for stamps we are doing the collector a favor.

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Hark—A voice from the tombs inquires, where, O, where is Parnassus Penflip, the brightest literary luminary that ever shot athwart the skies of philately. A drop from the rim of the cup of coincidence spatters on our key-board even as the question is asked, for has not Parnassus himself, magnanimously ignoring the financial difference that parted us for the time, addressed us, using a two-cent Columbian stamped envelope to make his inspired epistle the more welcome, in the following periods: "To my host of admirers I waft a kiss of greeting. My devotees must know that I have embarked upon a work greater than that, yea of philately. I have felt the urge of psychic research and am solving the problem of the ages. I am on the point of achieving the impossible,—I have already established connections with a collector in the spirit world whose revelations are astounding. Would you receive them, you earth groveler? *En passant,* would you care to remit a small something on account of my lucubrations of the past, now that you have doubled your subscription price?" We admit that the stuff that Parnassus would give us would be interesting to our readers but Parnassus is so temperamental that in all probability he would exact a *quid pro quo* in advance. Still, we are intrigued by the thought of his explorations in philatelic spiritland and we shall try to borrow ten somewhere. We cannot help thinking as someone has before how peeved the most benign philatelic spirit must become to be called away from his seat on a nimbus as he was comfortabiy contemplating his latest find just to assure some earthly being that he is happy.

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Added—We have received from Mr. Benjamin Cadbury, a most instructive letter whose contents will be followed closely by our readers: "A correspondent in Canton writes, under date of Oct. 11th, 1919: 'The 7c and 15c are no longer available at post offices in China but the new 1½c and 13c have not yet appeared. There is a new 1½c card.'" The new 1½c and 13c, China, were promised for this autumn and the 7c and 15c were to be withdrawn according to a post office circular, dated Mar. 4th, 1919, as told by Mr. Howes. "I have received a circular prepaid with the Switzerland, 7½c peace stamp,—so the issue seems to be available for postal use to this country." Mr. Cadbury revises "Tripoli," in our Dictionary by recalling that it is on the north coast of Africa, rather than in Syria; "Tripoli di Barberia," meaning "Tripoli of the Barbary (States)." He adds the warning: "My correspondent in Canton also writes: 'Look out for high value Japanese stamps that have three stars in the cancellation. They look to be postal cancellations but really are telegraph cancellations. That probably is why they are so cheap in Scott, as genuinely postally canceled five and ten yen stamps out here are worth a few dollars each.'"

Question—Here is a question of procedure that has been referred to us that is something of a problem to decide: "Some time ago I wrote the Postmaster of Liberia for prices of certain stamps in our money and in reply, I was told to send $6.00 in U. S. Currency. I did so, and yesterday I received the stamps ordered but the P. M. told me to send another $6.00 to a chemical house in Memphis to cover the cost of the stamps. In the lot there were only $5.51 in our money; and is there any reason why I should pay double face value? If you will tell me the best thing to do I would appreciate your opinion. I always pay my bills and do not like to be beaten." We give this instance publicity as it may recall experiences of similar kind that others have had in "foreign exchange." We suggest that our correspondent write to Liberia explaining that he had paid for the stamps once and inquire under what supposition he is asked to send the further sum to the people at Memphis. We have received in times past, one or more letters from Monrovia offering to buy Liberian stamps for us at such and such a commission but the case before us does not seem to involve any question of charge for services.

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This firm appears first in the Utica directory for 1865-66 as operating a match factory on South St. between 3rd and Mohawk Sts., Utica, under the name of Jas. Eaton. The next year one Owens was associated with Mr. Eaton and the firm appears as Eaton & Owens. From 1867-68 until 1876 the business was run under the name of Jas. Eaton. In 1876 J. Emery Eaton appears as a member of the firm, and until the business was closed in 1882, the firm name appears as Jas. Eaton & Son. For many years the directories also list John B. Eaton as a match maker. He lived near the factory and was probably a relative of James Eaton.

The Boston Book gives the following data regarding the stamp:—

Die approved, March 15, 1866.
First issued, May, 1866.
Last issued, Feb. 28, 1883.
210 stamps per sheet (14x15).
20,864,970 issued on old paper.
36,203,136 issued on silk paper.
45,089,847 issued on pink & wmk'd paper.

The stamp is an upright rectangle of the usual 1c size and was printed only in black. An oval in the center bears a three-quarter portrait of Mr. Eaton facing left with the numeral "1" in a smaller oval at either side. Curved labels in the upper corners bear the inscriptions "Jas. Eaton—Utica, N. Y." with "One—One" in smaller letters, and in the lower corners "Cent—Cent" and "U. S. Inter.—Revenue". Crossing the top of the portrait oval is a small label reading "Matches". The design is almost devoid of ornamentation.

The first printing was made by Butler & Carpenter from a plate made by them. Later printings on silk paper were made by this firm and by the National Bank Note Co. The latter also printed the stamps on pink paper and some of those on watermarked paper, and there is no doubt there were extensive printings by the American Bank Note Co. and by the Bureau on watermarked paper. The total issue of over 100 million stamps may have required as many as ten plates. The stamps represented a tax averaging over $1,000 per week for about seventeen years.

The Eaton match is by far the commonest rouletted private die stamp. Some of the roulettes, if not all of them, were printed by the Bureau from a plate made by one of the bank note companies and bearing the bank note company imprint scratched out by the Bureau workmen. Pairs of roulettes and also perforates on watermarked paper are known and these are believed either to be 2c multiple stamps or 2/3 of 3c multiple stamps. A few blocks—probably remainders—are also known.

J. Emery Eaton was manager of the Diamond Match factory at Frankfort—the Gates factory—from 1883 to 1889, when he was succeeded by Frederick C. Eaton. Jas. Eaton died about 1890.

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NOTES ON 1916 AUSTRIA.

By GEO. A. LINDEMANN.

The 2, 3, 4 and 10 krone values of the 1916 set of Austria were first issued on wove paper. The colors were as follows: 2 krone dark blue; 3 krone dull claret; 4 krone dark green and 10 krone deep violet. About a year later all the krone values appeared in much lighter colors except the 10 krone. In my collection I have a copy of the 2 krone in the light blue shade, which measures about a millemetre and a half longer than the regular 2 krone. I believe that this was the only value to be issued with the large frame.

At about the time of the armistice, the krone values appeared on silk or what may be termed granite paper. The lighter shades only were issued on this paper.

As the armistice has apportioned off several of Austria's provinces, the remaining states were called Deutschosterreich or German Austria. This necessitated the issuance of a new set, as the government had changed from a Monarchy to a Republic. The then current set was overprinted with a diagonal surcharge "Deutschosterreich."

This set soon ran out and a new set inscribed German Austria was issued, comprising 12 values from the 1 heller to the 1 krone. The designs were not very popular with the people and the set was recalled, then the remaining stocks of the surcharged set were placed on sale thruout the Republic.

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GERMANY'S AIR-MAIL SERVICE.

By A. KOECHLIN.

Germany will soon establish an air-mail service. Two stamps have already been issued. One is a 10pf orange winged posthorn, "Deutsche" at the top and "Flugpost" at the bottom. On either side in Gothic print reading up and down is the value. The other denomination is a 40pf in green showing an aeroplane in the clouds. The value is in the upper corners and "Deutsche Flugpost" at the bottom in Gothic print. The size of both stamps is about the same as the 2c Alaska-Yukon.

The color of the regular issue 15pf stamp, first yellow brown and now black violet, will be changed again in the near future. The 2, 2½, 3, 7½, 25, 60, 80pf and 2 and 5 marks are to be dropped and new values of 1.25, 1.50 and 2.50 marks will make their appearance soon.

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LAST DOSE OF PARANOIA.

(Continued from Dec. 6th)

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There is another branch of my service for which I receive nothing directly but which costs me a great deal. Those customers whom I value are always free to ask me about stamps and I always try to help them, even tho to dig out the information they want and get it in shape so they can use it may take many hours of time. Not long ago a customer whose purchasing power is very limited sent me a stamp for my opinion. Probably I could have bought the stamp for a few dollars but instead of doing that I played the game the way I prefer to play it, told him what the stamp was, that it was genuine and hunted up a copy in one of the largest collection in America to compare it with to be sure there was no mistake. I doubt if there are more than half a dozen copies of the stamp known to exist and it catalogs $750. I would pay that myself for a satisfactory copy.

As for you, O. U. S., I never asked you to buy anything of me and if it had not been that I have made it a rule to answer all inquiries received and try to please every customer I wouldn't have bothered to read your letter. You don't have to buy from me and if my stamps and my prices do not please you I don't want you to buy from me. I am selling satisfaction—not just stamps. There are too many collectors in these United States who like my service and who appreciate the efforts I make to please them for me to spend any time on the others. I am selling too many stamps at the prices you think high to take any stock in your opinion.

Send me some stuff or not—just as you choose. My books are open and you can price the stamps yourself if you think your judgment is better than mine. Or send me some good old U. S. at the prices you think I ought to charge, less the profit you think I should be satisfied to make. If you can buy stamps so much cheaper than I can you can make out very nicely selling them to me. The stamps sent you averaged close to half catalog.

If you really have any doubt of my responsibility I take pleasure in referring you to anyone with whom I have ever done business, or any dealer in New York, including the firm you mentioned, although my total purchases from the latter in the past 25 years have totalled less than $100."

The episode is closed. As far as I am concerned it is quite permanently closed. The moral to the tale is this—be reasonable. If you are a dealer don't expect the collector to pay what you wouldn't pay if you were a collector. If you are a collector don't expect the dealer to do what you wouldn't do if you were a dealer. One of these days I shall publish one of the many letters I get that encourage me to believe the stamp business is the finest business on earth. When I get one of those I just bump myself to please the fellow who is big-hearted enough to write it.

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UNITED STATES.—We are pleased to publish herewith our first installment of plate numbers and would incidentally take this opportunity of extending our thanks to the Bureau of Engraving and Printing for their kindness in compiling the data. It is our intentions of continuing this list from time to time and making comments on any special detail that should especially be brought to the attention of our readers. The list follows:—

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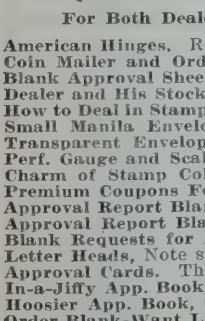

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It is interesting to note that the two first plates upon the list, namely, 10151 and 10152, are 400 subject curved plates. These plates will be used on the Stickney type rotary presses and will result in our having the rotary impressions in post office sheets of 100. We have spoken of these stamps before in our chronicle. It will be noted that rotary plates are usually made in pairs, for they are used with two plates fitted together, while flat plates are generally made in groups of four, for the presses that print from the flat plates take four at a time. Now and then we have a single plate standing out alone and this is due to one of the plates in a group becoming either worn out ahead of the others or broken or condemned for some other reason.

A new set of 20c plates is included in the list, a denomination seldom used in comparison with the lower values. All of the coil plates this time are of 170 subjects used for the sidewise coils. There is little demand today for the endwise coils, consequently new plates are seldom made.

Mr. Harry B. Mason sends us an interesting clipping from the Washington *Star* of Dec. 5, 1919, wherein our attention is called to the fact that airplane mail was dropped from an airplane for a city post office to deliver for the first time in the history of the service. A bag containing, so Mr. Mason informs us, about 140 letters together with several cartons of eggs, was dropped from a large Martin mail ship piloted by Lieut. Walter H. Stevens. It seems that the bag was picked up by the Postmaster, M. O. Chance, who opened the bag and found that everything was in good condition. Officials of the department expressed themselves as delighted with the test.

Mr. A. J. Soderling sends us for our inspection three more provisional "Narcotics" surcharges, this time from Chicago. The entire set consists of but three values, which we take pleasure in listing,

1919 Chicago Provisional Overprint "Narcotics" on Documentary, issue of 1917.
1c rose.
2c rose.
8c rose.

Messrs. George Soulman and C. S. Thompson bring our attention to four 1c purple strip Narcotics issued by the Bureau, but as these were chronicled in detail about six months back we will not describe them again. In our editorial of December 6th we stated that these would do away with the Bureau overprinted "Narcotic" surcharges, which, however, is not the case. The 1c strip will be pasted over the cork or package in such a way that it will be broken when opened and the balance of the tax will be paid by the surcharged varieties.

Mr. George E. Foster shows us the 2c circular die with a badly broken "C" in "CENTS". A great many of these broken type varieties have been shown us lately but it seems that for some reason or other, collectors of envelopes give very little attention to them.

ABYSSINIA.—The *Australian Philatelic Record* announces that a new pictorial set of large dimensions is being issued.

BAHAMAS.—The *Colonial Journal* announces that a "Peace" series is being prepared for this Colony, comprising five values, viz., ½d, 1d, 2d, 3d and 1s, in an appropriate design incorporating the portrait of King George and the badge and motto of Bahamas.—*Stamp Collecting.*

BAVARIA.—The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us a copy of the 5M stamp of Germany surcharged FREISTAAT BAYERN in black and in two lines.

BELGIUM.—Adjt. Henry Hooreman informs us that special stamps are to be issued for Eupen and Malmedy in occupied German territory and rumor has it that they will be issued after the promulgation of peace.

BULGARIA.—The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us two new stamps of this country. They are the 1s and 25s. The former is of light green color and has the picture of a man plowing with a yoke of oxen in a field. At the top are the usual Bulgarian characters with the coat of arms in the left corner and year in the right corner. At the center of the lower frame is the value in a circle with a spray of grain at each side. The other stamp shows a soldier with a gun running towards the hills. At the top is a war cross with the native words on each side. At the bottom corners are 25——ST with two lines of words between. The color is blue.

CHINA-ITALIAN POST OFFICES.—The *Australian Philatelic Record* reports that overprinted stamps made by the Italian postal agencies at Pekin and Tientsin are war stamps, as they were intended for use of Austrian prisoners interned by the Chinese Government, natives of Italian speaking districts of the former monarchy. The Italian post in China is shortly to be suppressed.

COOK ISLANDS.—An English correspondent, writing on the 6th August, said that preparations are being made for an entirely new pictorial series of postage stamps for Cook Islands (not Rarotonga only). He had no doubt as to the statement, for he had it from the mouth of the gentleman who is now engaged on the selection of suitable designs for the proposed new series. From what he had heard, it looks as though the future Cook Island stamps will be a regular picture gallery.

The same gentleman asks what is the object of the Rarotongan Provisionals. It would seem that they are not in for a long life, more especially in view of the above mentoined announcement, if there is no truth in the rumour that all the present King George stamps of New Zealand are to be withdrawn shortly. *Australian Stamp Journal.*

FALKLAND ISLANDS.—Mr. C. J. C. Pool points out the respective features of the 1sh denomination in both printings:—

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FIUME.—The Allied blockade of Fiume has created a dearth of low value postage stamps in D'Annunzio's "Faithful City," whose stamp supplies are normally obtained from Trieste. In consequence, the 25c, and 45c values of the current series have been reduced through the medium of a local and provisional surcharge to the denominations of 5c and 10c respectively. Further philatelic developments may be anticipated if the political situation remains for long unchanged. It is reported that the charity postage stamps hitherto sold at a premium "Pro Studio," will be sold for their normal face values (without the surtax of 5 crowns), and overprinted VALORE GLOBALE CENT for general use.—*Stamp Collecting.*

JAPAN.—The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us copies of the 1½ and 3s stamps, current issue, surcharged with the picture of a bi-plane across the centre of the stamp. On the former the surcharge is in red, while the 3s value is surcharged in blue.

JUGO-SLAVIA.—Mr. Chase T. Plumlee advises that he has a copy of the 4K on 1K of the issue surcharged on Bosnia series 1910, with the surcharge spelled RZAVA instead of DRZAVA.

PAPUA.—The *Australian Stamp Journal* announce that they received last month too late to include in their chronicle the 1d "Lakatoi", black and rose, on thin paper. The rose color is a very distinct shade from those previously issued.

POLAND.—The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us the following values of the Cracow issue surcharged PORTO in blue diagonally across the stamp: 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 50h.

RAROTONGA.—Messrs. A. Powell & Co., of Auckland, New Zealand, have become the fortunate possessors of a unique block of stamps, to wit, a block of 12 halfpenny, from the lower right-hand corner, but while the lower corner horizontal pair is without overprint on the face, it is stamped diagonally across the back. This error occurred through the corner sheet getting turned over on the face of the stamps, so that the overprint came on the gum side, and kept the two stamps free; in fact, part of the overprint on the pair of the corner block is missing, the bottom of several letters being cut short.—*Australian Stamp Journal.*

UKRAINE (O).—The following communication from the Ukrainian Press Bureau appeared in *The Times* of 14-7-19:—"Sir,—In your esteemed paper of June 24, on page 9, is an article about the stamps of anti-Bolshevist States, in which is written, among other things, that on the stamps of the Ukrainian People's Republic is a device representing 'the sacred candelabra of St. Sophia at Kieff.' This statement is incorrect. The design for the coat of arms is taken, not from the sacred candelabra of St. Sophia at Kieff, but from the coat of arms of the Grand Duke St. Wolodymir of Kieff. This stamp is on both the gold and silver coins issued by Wolodymir, on the latter with the words:—'Wolodymir is on the throne and this silver is his' encircling the design. Such coins are, without doubt, to be seen in the British Museum, and persons who are interested can convince themselves of the fact. The same coat of arms is also to be seen on the titles found in the ruins of the Desjatin Church of St. Wolodymir at Kieff. The Ukrainian Central Rada (the late Ukrainian Parliament) has decreed that this coat of arms of St. Wolodymir is to be taken for the whole Ukrainian Republic, which Republic now comprises the whole of the late State of St. Wolodymir with its ancient capital at Kieff.

"We would also add that the national colours of the Ukraine (on the flags, etc.) are:—At the top, sky blue, and at the bottom, a golden yellow (the colour of ripe corn)."—*Australian Philatelic Record.*

URUGUAY.—L. Lenz informs us that he has received a 4c in orange and brown and 8c in brown and blue of the commemorative issue with Statue of Liberty. This supplements our chronicle of four other values November 1.

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forms us that he has seen a letter from Mersina, franked with Palestine stamps, which stated that no more Cilicia stamps are being sold, as the British have taken over the administration of this district from the French, and Palestine stamps will henceforth be used.

A complete list of the issues of Cilicia will be a feature of the next War Catalogue.

The War Before the War.—The Balkan War of 1912-13 seems ancient history now that the Greater War has come and gone, but we are occasionally reminded by our stamps of interesting incidents of these bygone campaigns.

One such incident was the sudden revival of Turkey at the end of the Balkan War, resulting in the recapture of Adrianople from the Bulgars. The latter, if we remember rightly, were engaged at the time in arguing with Roumania regarding the price to be paid for her non intervention in the war.

Nobody Loves Them.—The *Revue Internationale* states that the "War Orphans" series of France is to be surcharged for use in various French Colonies to quicken their sale. While sympathizing with the object of these charity stamps, we would remind collectors that the *postal* portion of their face value goes to the French Government and not to the orphans.

Philatelic Reconstruction.—In spite of the scattering of stamp collectors to the ends of the earth during the war, and the many other drawbacks to which a hobby must always be subject during a period when necessity is the only law of being and doing, philately has never flourished so vigorously as during the last four years. And now there are signs of the return of the stamp world to normal activity in directions where action was curtailed during the war.

We have not heard very much of the "First Polish Philatelic Exhibition," although it was honoured with a stamp issue of its own; but by the time these lines appear in print Turin will have held a philatelic exhibition, which will probably be followed by many others in Europe, now that postal and censorship difficulties are disappearing. It will be some time before travelling is so easy that these exhibitions become once more the international philatelic reunions that they were before the war; but the wheels are at any rate beginning to move.

London has her stamp club, and now philatelists across the Channel are agitating for the formation of a similar club in Paris. Such permanent meeting places offer great advantages to collectors, and in large cities such as London and Paris the financial problem should not now be a difficult one.

At home the Junior Philatelic Society, progressive as ever, appeals for a thousand new Peace Year Members, and will probably get them from among the thousands of war-time recruits to our hobby. Societies and exchange clubs of all kinds are flourishing, and people are wondering what the winter season will be like when the "dead" summer has been busier than any previous winter.

It is hard to imagine the difficulties which a philatelic society would have to face in Russia to-day; but they are being faced in Moscow, where a society of fifty members is in existence, with auctions and a journal of its own. One conjures up visions of the members, gathered in a cellar to view a display of stamps by one of their number, being arrested *en bloc* by the secret police on a charge of conspiring against the local Soviet or its present day equivalent. Probably things are not at all like this, as the Russia of the imagination and the Russia of reality have always been as far apart as the poles. But we should prefer to do *our* philatelic reconstruction at New Cross rather than Niini Novgorod.

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CHINA'S GREAT POSTAL SYSTEM.

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A postoffice savings bank was opened July 1, 1919, selling saving stamps from five cents upward. New stamping machinery, handling seven hundred letters a minute, is being installed. Night collections and deliveries are being instituted in the larger cities and the rural service is being extended. In 1918, nearly six thousand miles of overland routes were added to the service. A new continuous overland courier route of roughly 3,375 miles, the longest in the world, now connects Kalgan by way of Mongolia with Tihwafu, capital of Sinkiang (China Turkestan), following in part the old trade routes from China to Persia.

Prior to 1915 annual deficits prevailed, but since that year revenues have risen by 50 per cent with annual surpluses ranging from $302,592 in 1915 to 2 million dollars in 1918. This turn came in the face of civil war, floods, brigandage and internal disorders of every sort, to say nothing of costly extensions of the service.—*Trans-Pacific Magazine.*

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The regular monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday evening, Dec. 16th, at 8 p. m.

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By PHILIP H. WARD, JR.

(Continued from our issue of January 25, 1919.)

During these early days the Post Office Department did many things to popularize the service and bring it to the attention of the public in general. Articles appeared as news items in the daily press, large circulars were posted in the post offices covered by the aeroplane mail and the office of the Second Assistant Postmaster General sent out broadcast to business houses, large manila cards about 9"x5½" describing the advantages to be derived by the use of this special service. As a matter of historical record, it may be well to reproduce the information given on these cards:—

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OTTO PRAEGER,
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WASHINGTON, May 15, 1919.

CHAPTER TWO.

The Aerial Mail Service in Operation.

The second month of the service was even more successful than the first, for out of 108 possible flights 98 were perfect. During this month all speed records were broken when on July 29th the mail was carried from Washington to New York in 2 hours and 5 minutes, flying time. As promised in the department's letter of June 19th, the rate of postage for this service was reduced. The Postmaster General, in Order No. 1617, dated June 26, 1918, authorized a lowering to 16c per ounce or fraction thereof, on all letters instead of 24c as heretofore. This new rate went into effect on Monday, July 15, 1918, the Third Ass't Postmaster General having notified the postmasters under date of July 11 that a special stamp would be issued for this purpose. The stamp was similar in design to the 24c, printed in one color, however, in green. Additional data upon this new emission will be given later.

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A. M. DOCKERY,
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Similar instructions were given regarding the 16c on July 11th but it seems that they were overlooked by many offices.

The Postmaster General and his assistants were real enthusiastic about the good work being done by the Army aero-postmen and were so pleased with the service on the Washington-Philadelphia-New York route that on June 7th, an aeroplane left New York laden with mail and landed at Saugus Field near Boston, Mass. The same plane returned on June 12th. This, however, was more in the way of an experiment rather than any intentions on the part of the department of establishing a regular service.

Frequent circular letters were given to the press concerning the service during July and August. On August 5th we are informed that the air mail pilot is solving the problem of flying in all sorts of weather. Prior to the establishment of the Air Mail Service it was regarded as impracticable to make flights with airplanes during severe storms. The practice, however, of this daily service has shown that the mail can be carried through the air during severe thunder and lightning storms with heavy rain and hail. In spite of their good work they, however, had their troubles, but the department does not call our attention to the fact that at times the pilots strayed from their course and were lost or were seriously delayed. The aeroplane letter often fell sadly behind the train letter.

It will be recalled that this service had been carried on by planes and equipment belonging to the War Department. Under date of August 12, 1918, the equipment and flying operations of the Aerial Mail Service was turned over to the Post Office Department. Under date of August 19th the Postmaster General thanks the Secretary of War for the "whole-hearted co-operation that I have received from the War Department in the inauguration and the operation of the aerial mail service. He also states that he thinks "it a high tribute to the Army's training planes—that out of 270 flights conducted by the Air Section in carrying United States mail, covering a grand total of 421½ hours of flying, there were *recorded* but 16 forced landings." While the operations were in the hands of the military authorities 20¼ tons of letter mail was despatched.

(*To be continued.*)

CHRISTMAS ISLAND.

This island, belonging to the King of England, and leased to the Pacific Cocoanut Plantation, Ltd., for 99 years, has no British postal service. All postal sendings are forwarded through the management of the company, and for this purpose a special stamp was issued for the island, which is really of private origin, but possesses the following franking ability:

a) for inland postal service.
b) from the island itself to the nearest station of the universal postal union.

All letters or packages are forwarded by a post boat, but they must be provided with the island stamp, and this must be canceled with the stamp of the company, before being turned over to the mail boat. It is the duty of the captain of the boat to see that this has been done, and on arrival at a harbor, he is pledged to frank the letters and packets with the necessary stamps of whatever country whose shores he visits. Forwarding of any article which is not franked with the island stamp, is absolutely out of the question.—*(Translated from K-B Katalog.)*

AMERICAN FUSEE COMPANY.

By CHRISTOPHER WEST.

This company began business in 1874 and the building which they occupied as a factory for about ten years is still standing at the corner of 21st and Plum Sts., Erie, Pa. The first officers were W. R. Davenport, Pres., E. D. Ludwig, Vice-Pres., Wm. A. Galbraith, Treas., and E. Gaylord, Sec. and Mgr. There were many changes of officers during the life of the company. The different officers were all prominent men of Erie, and all of them, with the exception of E. W. Sheldon, who was secretary and manager when the business closed in 1884, are now dead. The company was capitalized at $100,000, employed 25 to 35 people, and had a capacity of 43,000 boxes per day. Both fusee and torch matches were made, and the matches were always packed 100 in a box, hence their 1c stamp was never used in multiple. Competition with Swedish matches and the reduction in the demand for matches when electric lights came into use made the business unprofitable.

The stamp is one of the last of the Philadelphia productions, and is a very ordinary piece of work—far below the standard of most of the match stamps engraved by Mr. Carpenter's firm. It is a horizontal rectangle of the standard 1c size containing an oval band inscribed "United States Inter. Revenue — One Cent." Within the oval is an irregular panel inscribed "American — Fusee — Company, — Erie, Pa." in four lines. Outside either end of the panel, but within the oval, is a numeral. The four corners of the design are filled with ornamentation.

In regard to this stamp the Boston Book states:—

Die approved, March 24, 1874.
First issued, April, 1874.
Last issued, April 1, 1882.
210 stamps per sheet, (15x14).
2,270,000 issued on silk paper.
2,834,403 issued on pink and watermarked paper.

The silk paper variety is one of the commonest of the match stamps, and the pink paper is one of the commonest of the match stamps that occur on pink paper. The watermarked variety is not so frequently found. The first printing was made by Mr. Carpenter on silk paper. This was followed by the National prints on silk, pink and watermarked paper, and the later printings were made by the American Bank Note Co. and the Bureau on the last named paper. Margins of the sheets printed by the Bureau bore the Bureau plate number, "No. 1," engraved in italics beside the title of the plate similarly engraved. Probably there was only one plate. Color, black.

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1914, Switzerland, 3fr	.08
1916-18, Turkey, 20pa, 1pi, 50pa, mint	.30
1916, Turkey, Comm., 5, 10pa, mint ..	.10
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THE "BOY" SUBSCRIBER.

(Singularly enough, we received last week two letters on the same day dealing with a subject of common interest. One was from an old friend and subscriber, Hubert Lyman Clark of Cambridge, Mass., and the other from a boy subscriber, Wright Bryan, of Clemson College, S. C. Dr. Clark in his letter wished to know the nature of protests which had come from the raise in subscription price. We have had only two, one from a lady subscriber, and the other from a dealer, both of whom thought that we might lose some of our younger subscribers by increasing the price to $1. This is possibly true, but Mr. Bryan's letter indicates that we have boy subscribers who appreciate the educational value of the WEEKLY. We quote from the two letters as received.—W. O. W.)

"I enclose 50c to cover a six months' renewal for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS. I have been reading letters from subscribers sending in renewals and approving your increase in rates. I am only a schoolboy with a small collection, but I could hardly collect without your paper. My financial condition does not allow me to send in a longer renewal, but I shall send it as soon as possible, as I understand why you had to increase your rates, and I desire to help all I possibly can."—WRIGHT BRYAN.

"When I saw Mr. Sampson's letter a couple of weeks ago I thought I would write you and say 'Amen', but I failed to do so. Mr. Sampson and I usually agree pretty well, and certainly so in this case. 10c per number would not be too much to ask for MEKEEL'S. I certainly get more pleasure out of it than I do from *Life* at 10c. I wish you would publish some of the protests against the raise so I could get the viewpoint of the man who thinks the WEEKLY is not worth 2c per copy."—HUBERT LYMAN CLARK.

NEWS GLEANINGS.

Under this heading we desire to publish all the news from the various philatelic centers. Correspondents' names will be given unless prohibited as we desire to give full credit for services rendered.

—We are pained to announce the death of Leon V. Cass of Marathon, N. Y., who died December 11. He has been a longtime advertiser in the WEEKLY and had built up quite a trade. D. L Curran, informnig us of the sad event, writes: "His mother died last spring and he was the last of the family. He was never strong, and of late had been in poor health."

—A stamp club has been formed in Holyoke, Mass. Meetings are held every second Tuesday in the Chamber of Commerce Rooms. The following officers have been elected: George Fitzgerald, Pres.; Robert Stott, Vice Pres.; C. A. Smith, Sec. and H. P. Atherton is the auctioneer. The club has about twenty-five members.

—"I've just made the shortest trip from Pittsburgh to Buffalo I ever had, and I have had many long, tiresome ones. Before leaving my office I noticed a bundle of sample copies of MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS that you had sent me and threw them into my bag. I neglected to get a magazine or a paper, so was forced to look over the WEEKLY. The next thing I knew, the porter said, "We're here, sir." Enclosed find a dollar; keep it coming to me regularly.' —W. W. WOODRUFF.

—"List me as a supporter of your good paper and Mr. Ritchie's great work. I've only a few of the unusual cancellations of old-time stamps—but they are subject to your order. I trust this new work will also include some of the special slogans, etc., used to promote exhibition war work and the like. These things should be checked up now—while the getting is good—and if I knew how to go about the job I'd endeavor to help out, even if it cost me a pretty penny to do the trick."—J. W. LONGNECKER.

—"Under separate cover I am mailing you a weekly advertising sheet which has made its appearance in Toronto. It is called the *Free Ratepayer*, and there is a different one for each ward in the city. The novelty to a stamp collector is in the fact that in the upper left corner is printed the Postage Paid under permit No. 2803."—E. HARRIS.

—"Why didn't you raise the price long ago? I subscribed to the WEEKLY away back in the early '90's, when it was a four-page sheet with a paucity of pep, and it's my recollection that the price was 50c a year even then. Also, that I had to save my nickels to pay for six months at a time, and then mooch a postage stamp from the family supply to send the 25c."—CHAS. S. THOMPSON.

—The Brooklyn Stamp Club held its regular election of officers for the year 1920, Dec. 10, and the following officers were elected: President, R. M. Osborne; Vice Pres., L. A. Missbach; Treasurer, Wm. J. Coleman; Secretary, William Lycett; Fin. Sec., M. Neel. The following were elected, which with the above officers form the Board of Governors:—C. W. A. Braun, J. W. Nicklin, F. F. Reed, G. W. Ring; Directors for The United Stamp Societies, Wm. Lycett, R. M. Osborne; Sales Manager, M. Rosenblatt; Auction Manager, J. W. Nicklin; Librarian, Wm. J. Coleman; Custodian of Counterfeit Collection, G. W. Ring. It was also incorporated in the Constitution that the Sales Manager shall be under bonds for the amount of $500.

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Belgium 1905, No. 91, 2fr fine ..... .12
Bulgaria, Armistice, 1 and 2s ..... .18

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POSTAGE STAMPS OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

By BERTRAM W. H. POOLE.

(*Continued from page 473.*)

In 1860 the currency of the Colony was changed from the English system to the decimal one. This not only necessitated a new issue of postage stamps but also a complete revision of the postage rates. Unfortunately the amendment to the Post-office Act is not at all explicit as to rates and no mention of the new charges is made in the Post-office yearly Reports. One important change the Act of 1860 refers to is the fact that prepayment became obligatory with the introduction of the new currency. The paragraph relating to this states, "All letters posted in this Province shall be prepaid, and in default thereof shall be subject to such fine as may from time to time be imposed by the Order of the Governor in Council."

CHAPTER III.—*The Pence Issue.*

Reference to the foregoing chapter will show that in the Post-office Act of 1850 (section IX) the Lieutenant-Governor was authorised to "cause postage stamps marked with any device thereon" to be issued. There appears, however, to be no record of any sort showing when postage stamps were issued by the New Brunswick Post-office. In fact, a study of the official documents relating to the stamps of Nova Scotia seems to show that when the first 3d, 6d and 1s for that colony were ordered a requisition was also made for similar values and quantities for New Brunswick. The memorandum relating to this reads in part as follows:—

"I would beg to suggest for the consideration of the Government that £10,000 worth of stamps for Nova Scotia, and a similar amount for New Brunswick, viz.:

3d £5000
6d £2500
1s £2500

be furnished for immediate use, or should this amount be considered too small to double the above numbers."

This memorandum is dated July 8th, 1851, and that it must have been acted on promptly would appear to be bourne out by the fact that the New Brunswick stamps were placed on sale on September 6th, 1851. Indeed, as these self-same stamps were despatched from London on August 6th, it is very evident that the actual order for dies and plates must have been given to the printers long before July, though Mr. King was unable to find any official data on this point.

It is certainly astonishing that no mention of any kind was made of the new postage stamps until Charles Connell became Postmaster-General in 1859—eight years after they were first issued. In the official regulations issued in that year—to which I have already referred insofar as they relate to postal rates—Part XII deals with postage stamps as follows:—

"1. The Postage Stamps issued by the Post-office Department of New Brunswick are of three kinds, and of the values of Threepence, Sixpence, and One Shilling, respectively, each representing a Rose, Thistle, Shamrock and Mayflower, with a Crown in centre.

2.—The threepenny stamps are coloured Red, the sixpenny Green, and the one shilling Purple. They can be procured from any Post-office in the Province.

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5.—Any letters having one or more stamps affixed equal in amount to the Rate of Postage chargeable on such letters, are to be mailed and forwarded as prepaid letters, though the amount is not to be included in the Letter Bill.

6. On letters for the United States, when stamps are affixed representing less than the amount of postage to which the letters are liable, the stamps are *not* to be cancelled but the letters are to be rated the full rates of postage as unpaid.

7.—On letters addressed to any part of British North America or the United Kingdom, when the number of stamps be not adequate to the amount of postage due, the letters are to be rated with the amount deficient, and forwarded with that amount charged as unpaid. In cases of this kind the stamps must be obliterated.

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10.—Stamps of any Colony of British North America, United States, the United Kingdom, &c, when the letter has been posted are to be allowed in New Brunswick as evidence of prepayment accordingly on the letters to which they are affixed.

11. Postmasters are not allowed to affix stamps on letters, the Postage of which has been paid in money, under pain of dismissal.

12.—No other stamps than those issued by the Post-office of New Brunswick are to be taken in the Province in prepayment of letters posted within the same."

The official description of the postage stamps as given in paragraphs 1 and 2 of the above section are obviously incorrect. Excepting some of the colors, it is a description of Nova Scotian stamps. The New Brunswick design does not show a mayflower but two roses, thistle and shamrock, while the color of the 6d should be stated as yellow. This incorrect description is all the more remarkable when it is considered that the stamps had already been in use eight years!

The stamps were engraved and printed in *taille douce* by Messrs. Perkins, Bacon and Company of London in sheets of 160. They are too well known to need any description and, in fact, the accompanying illustration is more eloquent than any printed description could be. The design is one of the handsomest of the many beautiful devices adopted by these manufacturers for early British Colonial stamps.

All three denominations were printed on bluish wove paper and various shades exist, both as regards the amount of blueing in the paper and the color of the impression. Apparently only one supply was ever received from London and this seems to have been sufficient for the use of the Department until the decimal series was issued. It is unfortunate that no official records are available showing how many of each value were printed and issued. Though the quantities were probably quite small, the fact that the one supply sufficed was largely due to the fact that their use was not obligatory. In his report for 1851 the Postmaster-General states:—

"The Postage stamps which have been in circulation since the 6th of September last have not as yet met with much favor from the public, the amount sold in the first four months being £183 2s only. It is probable, however, that their use will become more general, particularly in the larger towns."

But one factor that probably mitigated largely against their general use was the fact that it was in many cases impossible to make up the proper postage with stamps and it was therefore much easier to send the letter unpaid or to pay the postage in money. Again under a system in which prepayment of postage was optional, and no commission was derived from their sale, postage stamps were considered an unmitigated nuisance by many postmasters and their use was, therefore, not unduly encouraged.

The variety in the blueness of the paper, already mentioned, is more apparent in the 3d than in the other two values. Probably the paper was of much the same intensity originally and the lighter shades are due to accidental discharge of the blue coloring by exposure to damp or otherwise. As there was only one supply, it is hardly likely there was more than one printing of each denomination, consequently such shades as are found, while interesting, are not of any particular philatelic importance. With regard to the 3d, Mr. King observes that the color varies greatly "from a faded red to a deep scarlet". Some of these shades are undoubtedly due to the careless manner in which the stock of stamps was kept, as witness the following paragraph from the Postmaster-General's Report for 1859:—

"The principal part of those remaining on hand are unfit for sale, having been damaged by being stored in the vault of the Post Office in St. John, which was so damp as to cause them to mold and the colors to run."

The 6d may be found in well defined light and dark shades, while the shilling value varies considerably, as is usually the case with purple stamps. Two varieties—reddish and dull violet—are usually recognised as true shades, but as purple is a color particularly susceptible to light, it is to be feared that some so-called shades are really fades.

The gum used on these stamps is dark brown in color and very pliable. Adhesiveness was not its strong point, as most stamps on covers can be easily removed with most of the gum intact.

The three plates from which the stamps were printed remained in the possession of Messrs. Perkins, Bacon & Co. until August, 1889, when they were handed to the Dominion Government. The original dies are, we believe, still in the custody of that firm.

REFERENCE LIST.

September 6th, 1851. Engraved and printed by Perkins, Bacon & Co., Ltd., on blue wove paper. Imperf.

1. 3d red, Scott's No. 1.
2. 6d yellow, Scott's No. 2.
3. 1s purple, Scott's No. 3 or No. 4.

CHAPTER IV.—*The Bi-sected Pence Stamps.*

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Siam 1914, Nos. 137-140, cat. .27 ..... .08
Chile 1911, 98 to 109, cat. .68..... .30
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1900, Marianen Islands, 3, 5, 10, 20, 25, 30 .50
1900-10, Togo, 3, 5, 10. 20, 25, 30 ..... .35
1906-11. Germ. E. Africa, 2½, 4, 7½, 15,20h .25
1906-13, Germ. S. W. Africa 3, 5, 10, 20, 25, 30 ..... .35
1900-15, Germ. New Guinea, 3, 5, 10, 20, 25, 30 ..... .50

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SWEDEN 1910, 1kr, cat. .10 ..... .03
1917, 40 ore olive green ..... .04
1918, 7 on 10 ore ..... .03
1918, 12 on 25 ore ..... .03
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such rates as 4½d, 7½d, 8d, 1s1d, etc., it was perhaps quite natural that resort was made to bi-secting with the result that New Brunswick furnishes quite a number of interesting provisionals. While no official notice is known to have been published giving permission to bisect the 3d value, much bisection must have been authorized to make up the United Kingdom packet postage—one of the most generally used rates. As these split 3d were necessary it followed as a matter of course that other bisects were made—usually for no more laudable reason than that of saving trouble. Thus if a 3d stamp were desired and only a 6d one were on hand that 6d was promptly severed and each portion did duty as 3d or, a shilling might be halved for 6d or quartered to make 3d stamps—it all saved the trouble of going to the post-office for the exact denomination required and as official-dom apparently made no objections, everybody was satisfied. There was, of course, some slight danger of an unobliterated half of a cancelled stamp doing duty again, but this possibility evidently did not cause the post-office Department any anxiety.

No list of these bi-sected stamps can be considered complete, as it is always possible that new varieties or combinations may be discovered, but in the following list we have mentioned all the varieties that have been recorded from time to time on good authority.

REFERENCE LIST.

All split stamps are divided diagonally unless otherwise stated.

1s3d, made with two 6d and half a 6d.
10½d, made with a 6d, 3d, and half a 3d.
9d, made with 6d and half a 6d.
9d, made with half a 1s and half a 6d.
7½d, made with half a 1s and half a 3d.
7½d, made with half a 1s and half a 3d cut vertically.
7½d, made with 6d and quarter of a 6d.
7½d, made with 6d and half a 3d.
7½d, made with two 3d and half a 3d.
7½d, made with two 3d and half a 3d cut vertically.
6d, made with half a 1s.
4½d, made with 3d and half a 3d.
3d, made with quarter of a 1s.
3d, made with half a 6d.
1½d, made with half a 3d.

(To be continued.)

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Written for MEKEEL'S WEEKLY.

ALBERTA LAW STAMPS.

By EDWIN B. HILL.

I confess to a deep and abiding affection for the Revenue Stamps of Canada. The beauty of the design, the comparative freedom from minor varieties, and the certainty of non-speculative issues, combines to give the collector heart to seek for the stamps and the joy of adding them to his growing treasure-trove.

All this, I may say, relates to the earlier issues. For the later ones, of the distant provinces, the exigencies of the moment precluded any the least artistic designing. Haste in issuing and necessity for simplicity considering the materials at hand, were the rule, in the remote districts.

The Alberta law stamps are conspicuous examples of this condition in affairs. The first issue of these stamps was printed at the office of the Edmonton *Bulletin*, Edmonton, Alberta, in sheets containing four rows of three stamps each, making a total of twelve stamps to the sheet. The paper is unwatermarked, medium weight, light wove, cream-white. Some of the sheets are imperforate on one side, some on two sides, and some on three. There was, apparently, more than one printing, as is evidenced by the different colored inks used.

The stamps of this issue were printed on an ordinary printing press. The design measures 33x24½ millimetres. It consists of a fancy scroll background made up of six blocks of similar design, so arranged as to give the appearance of a continuous, or solid, design. Upon examination, however, it will be perceived these blocks are not always arranged in the same way, consequently there are several minor varieties throughout the series. The background was first printed on the sheets in the following known colors: red, bright red, brown red, mauve, yellow, olive yellow, gray, gray green, and olive green. The sheets were then run through the press the second time to designate the purpose for which the stamps were to be used as well as for the denomination. The words "Alberta" and Law Stamp" in old English type appear in the center of each stamp in two lines; the word "cents" is printed near the top and bottom of each stamp, in an old-style Roman type, and the value in figures of similar series, though a size larger type, is inserted in each corner opposite the word "cents."

There is a variation, however, in the dollar stamp. In one printing the value appears in the form of the words "one dollar," printed in plain type across the top and bottom of the stamp. In a second printing the dollar sign accompanied by the figure one ($1) is used, and is inserted in each corner.

Following is a list of the stamps issued in the first series so far as known to the writer:

1. 10c, mauve background, green lettering.
2. 10c, olive yellow background, green lettering.
3. 10c, red background, green lettering.
4. 10c, red background, black lettering.
5. 10c, yellow background, black lettering.
6. 10c, brown red background, black lettering.
7. 20c, brown red background, green lettering.
8. 25c, gray background, black lettering.
9. 25c, mauve background, black lettering.
10. 25c, red background, black lettering.
11. 25c, olive yellow background, black lettering.
12. 25c, gray green background, black lettering.
13. 25c, yellow background, black lettering.
14. 25c, bright red background, black lettering.
15. 25c, brown red backgrund, black lettering.
16. 50c, olive green background, green lettering.
17. 50c, bright red background, green lettering.
18. 50c, red background, green lettering.
19. 75c, red background, green lettering.
20. $1, brownish red background, black lettering (One Dollar).
21. $1, red background, green lettering ($1).

The primitive methods used in the production of these stamps naturally resulted in a great many varieties. Following are some of the most noticeable:

1. On each sheet throughout the entire series the fifth, tenth, and twelfth stamps have an extra line in the right in the letter "L" in the word "Law".

2. In several of the stamps throughout the series the figures denoting the value are not always in line, some being slightly raised, and others lowered.

3. Owing to the methods of perforation, some stamps are perforated on all four sieds, some on three sides, and some on two adjacent sides.

4. The scroll background on the "one dollar" is known to have been distinctly double printed. It is probable the same error occurs in other denominations.

5. Following is a list of varieties in the setting of the scroll background: (a) In some sheets, all the designs have rounded corners in the four corners of each stamp, except in the case of the eighth in each sheet, which has three points in the northeast corner of the stamp. This, too, is apparently the case in all the 10c, 20c, 50c, 75c, and $1 stamps, and some of the 25c. (b) In some sheets, all the designs have rounded corners except the northeast corner, all of which on each sheet have three points. This setting will be found in some of the 25c stamps, and in the $1 value as well.

6. Minor varieties resulting from broken or defective scrolls and broken letters are also known.

It will be seen, then, there is ample scope for the specialist in Canada revenues to satisfy his bent, while the tyro need not be concerned that he, too, will be denied the pleasure of search. I may say, however, that the stamps are very scarce, and others very rare, especially in used condition. Those I have seen are punched. This form of cancellation should not deter the collector of Canada revenues, however, as many of the rarities are known in no other condition.

I may say, in closing this paper, that I am indebted generally for fact and form and substance to Mrs. E. W. Oughtred, of Westmount, Quebec, who is a specialist in the revenue stamps of Canada. Her knowledge of varieties and other essential qualifications relating to these interesting bits of paper are wide and profound as her pleasure in imparting her information to others is great. Philately owes her a debt that will be difficult to liquidate.

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1910, Jubilee, 2kr, No. 60, mint ..... .40
1910, Jubilee, 5kr, No. 61, mint ..... .75
1916, 3h to 10kr, Nos. 86 to 104, mint.. 3.50
1917, 3h to 10kr, Nos. 105 to 122, mint 3.25
1918, 2h Provisionals, 2 var. mint .... .24

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THE MARKET.

A regular air mail service between London and Paris is now an established fact, and once more the question crops up of an air stamp to frank such correspondence. If Newfoundland may be cited as an example, the issue of a special stamp for this route should prove a source of revenue to the Authorities—not to forget also a source of joy to collectors.

The Falkland 1s, of course, is by far the best, and even the new printing (pale shade) may not be so common. The new local Turks Island are difficult to buy in quantity at any sort of a reasonable price.

The old classic imperfs. appear to be rapidly soaring up in price. Their rarity plus their prices will shortly place many of these desirable right out of reach of almost everyone. Only this week a dealer showed me—just to take an example—a copy of the first 1s Nova Scotia, superb used, and a copy of the 1s New Brunswick used and close on one side. Both stamps were finely used and fine colour. What do you think he had to pay for these two stamps? £90 the pair!

I notice several advertisements offering Polish "Levant" stamps. This strikes me as being rather a far-fetched issue—what has Poland to do with the Levant? It certainly seems a case of a special issue for sale to collectors. Does the Polish Consulate at Constantinople really require this weird issue?

New issues of stamps are all very nice and help our hobby along, but there is a touch of the overdoing things in this direction in some of the new States. If Poland and some of these new districts go on as they have started, we shall have to devote an entire album to each year's issue of this and that State.

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Covers—From Mr. Ted J. Tyrrell, Lake City, Minn., we have received an addition to our lot of Sanitary Fair and U. S. Christian Commission envelopes that were used by soldiers through the courtesy of these philanthropic agencies during the civil war. The particular envelope has "U. S. Christian Commission" enclosed in a bannerette, under which are the words, "Soldier's Letter." Judging from the Old Point Comfort, Va., postmark on the letter, the envelope was sent from a prisoner in a northern prison to his home in the south, although the letter is addressed to Quitman P. O., Nodaway Co., Mo. Old Point Comfort was an office of exchange for correspondence sent by prisoners on either side of the line.

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Useless—It appears that the revenue stamps that have been prepared for stamping liquor that was to be taken out of bond will prove to be a vain accomplishment if the period of war prohibition extends over to that of national prohibition. We expect to have some particulars of these stamps for the next number.

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Poland—We are pleased to receive the first number of *Filatelista Polski*, dated Cracow, October 10, 1919, a monthly stamp journal of good appearance and undoubtedly interesting contents. We should judge that philatelic activites in new Poland are such as to make a most animated season. Predictions are made that Poland will be a leader among the philatelic nations; and we notice that an exhibition of Polish stamps is announced under the auspices of the Cracow society.

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Lettland—In connection with the chronicling of a new value variety of the first issue of Lettland, 25k, grey, imperforate, honeycomb watermark, the news has come through a Swedish paper that the Lettish post office department is preparing a new series of stamps of more appropriate design and artistic merit than the stamps now extant. It is reported that the most prominent artists in Lettland, Messrs. W. Purviet, Janis Kuga and others are devoting themselves fervently to the task of making the new stamps a valuable contribution to postal and philatelic utility. The new issue will depict the most beautiful natural scenes in Lettland.

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Russia—From a German stamp journal we learn that the use of the postage stamps has practically been suspended in Russia and that some of the mails carry letters free of charge. Our informant doubts, however, that a free service has been established, but it avers that the scheme for the distribution and for transporting of mails has become so disorganized that much of the mail never reaches its destination; and for that reason the inhabitants prefer to entrust letters and other mail to travelers when there is a chance to do so. In support of the claim that postage stamps are no longer used, the argument is advanced that with prices in Russia so high that even a bill of one hundred rubles is deemed small change, the few kopecs asked for a stamp dwindle into nothingness and have no power to command even the slightest service. In fact, the returns from their sale would not defer the printing costs. The conclusion that is drawn is that soviet Russia has no postage stamps or organized post office and that the conveniences of registered letters and money orders do not exist.

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Going—The collector who keeps aloof from the philatelic concerns of the times is passing and we do not hear so much at present of the man who has a fine collection but who is so exclusive in his enjoyment of it that he will have no point of contact with other collectors or the stamp press. The individualistic idea of pursuing philately in a solitary way is giving way to what may be called a collective affiliation with public philately. This tendency is desirable, as it develops strength in philately. To hasten this movement it is incumbent that the "practice of philately" in this country become more inviting through the concerted action of the well-wishers of the pursuit to eliminate the petty and reactionary influences that spring from selfishness in its various forms. Progress has been made and the genial aspect of collecting must be emphasized as the class of people who enlist under the philatelic standard is responsive to cheerful surroundings.

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Press—Several of our contemporaries have been buffeted by the winds of circumstance and for the information of their readers who shall chart their whereabouts on the "sea of journalism." The publisher of the *Philatelic West* says that printing troubles have conspired to keep his journal in limbo but he promises that it will soon be free to greet its readers as of yore. The publisher of *Philatelic Gossip* by reason of sickness in his family is hampered in preparing his paper for its monthly bow and we trust that the cause of the pause happily will soon be removed. The publisher of the *Philatelic Index* has a stout heart and while he says that for two years past he has issued his paper at a financial loss, he will persevere; and he has prevailed, as two copies of his compilation of auction prices have recently come. However, he has changed from weekly to semi-monthly form. The annual *Collectors' Digest* for 1919 may be expected daily according to its promoter, the delay in its coming having been due to disappointments that are attributed to that calloused soul, the printer.

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JUGO-SLAVIA.

By HENRY KUH.

I again wish to return to Mr. James F. Hamill's article in Nos. 40 and 41, and to his last reply in No. 47. He again states that "naturally *Carniola* and *Slovenia* both come under Slavonia." No, Mr. Hamill, this is not natural. You are obsessed with the same error as many thousands. I said in my article that Slovenia and Slavonia are two different things. Jugo-Slav stamps were *never* issued by *Slavonia*, if you please!

While the Austro-Hungarian Empire existed Croatia and Slavonia were under *one* administration, the seat of the government being located at *Zagreb* (German Agram), the capital city of Slavonia being Osijek (Essegg in German), on the river Drava (Dran). This latter city had absolutely no voice in the administration of the country, since Croatia and Slavonia are in fact *one* country and always were so. You might as well call them Upper and Lower Croatia, the same as Upper and Lower Austria, there being no difference between a Croatian and Slavonian, neither is there any between an Upper and a Lower Austrian, that is to say, I have not been able to discover any, although I have lived among these people. But it may be that a contradictory statement will be found in Funk and Wagnall's Standard Dictionary, yet this would not change my conviction at all.

I again refer to Agram not being a city of cathedrals and universities, although the above-mentioned dictionary (Mr. Hamill's source of information) says so. I think that I am as familiar with the former Austro-Hungarian Empire as the editors of this reference work, who have never been in Agram and get their information second hand. Mr. Hamill and others—who have implicit faith in such a reference book—would wager their last shirt on such a statement. I wish to emphasize right here that to my knowledge there is not one city in the former dual monarchy having two cathedrals, even Vienna, a city of about two million, is content with *one* cathedral and *one* university! Austria (without Hungary) has *eight* universities, and the only city having two universities is Prague, one in Bohemian and the other in German language.

There is no city in Germany that has two universities, and I doubt if there be any that has two cathedrals. In Agram there are about a dozen Roman Catholic churches at most, one Greek ortho dox (Serbian) and one synagogue. There is only one university in Agram, no matter what anybody says. The Archbishop has his residence in Agram, consequently there is a cathedral.

In No. 48, Mr. Henry A. Meyer also tackles Jugo-Slavia. If he had taken the trouble to read my answer to Mr. Hamill in No. 43 he would have found all the inscriptions on the Croatian stamps explained. Although I explained DRZAVA and DRZAVNA, I did not go far enough in regard to the second form. I wish to inform Mr. Meyer—with absolutely no ill-feeling on my part—that there is nothing unstable in the character of the Croatian language; it is a language founded on evolution, just the same as any other tongue, and everything is quite logical and natural, although it may puzzle those not conversant with it. I said in my article: Drzava means the *State* (drzat = hold, govern); consequently, it also stands for *government*. DRZAVNA in this case means *governmental*. There is another word meaning government: VLADA, but it cannot be applied in this instance, and a vladar is a ruler. I suspect that Mr. Meyer will also see the point when I say that Drzava is the same as *der Staat* (Regierrung; Drzavna=*staatlich*), so DRZAVNA POSTA means either *Staatspost* or *Regierungspost*.

Finally, I again wish to inform those who want to know, that *Slavonia never* issued any stamps and that *Slovenia* (Carniola) is something entirely different, this in spite of contradictory statements.

NEW ISSUES SNOOZE.

By R. U. LETTS.

Christmas Island.—This stamp has recently appeared surcharged "Happy New Year." It will be chronicled by Ganley Stibbons of London, along with the U. S. War stamps.

Latvija.—Latest issues of this country are printed on fly paper, so they will stick. The maps, writing paper, and cigarette paper issues having been exhausted, it was proposed that sandpaper be used, but the Postmaster General thought that collectors had had enough of the rough stuff, so Tanglefoot will be used next.

Poland.—A recent series has appeared in suit-case length, printed on split bamboo. It is fine for fish.

Barbados.—The design of the current set is to be changed. The chariot with paddle-wheels is to be fitted with twin screws, and will be turbine operated, instead of with a two horsepower drive.

Hejaz.—The country that put the jazz in postage stamps will produce future issues on 12-inch graphophone records. The rug design is to be discarded for one showing a waxed floor.

Australia.—An explanation has just been made regarding the 6d 1915. This is called the "kookaburro" stamp, "burro" being the classic word for "donkey". The "kookoo" part of it means a giggler. Hence in combination we have the name of the bird pictured, that is, "laughing jackass."

Albania.—Having run out of comets, the next surcharged issue will depict Saturn and his rings, Jupiter and his moons, and Mars and his irrigating system.

Jugo-Slavia.—Several inquiries have been made recently regarding the meaning of S. H. S. From authentic sources we learn that this inscription means "stamp hinges stick." Another solution is "Seven Hundred Surcharges."

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Believe me or no, this is a fact, and when I had calmed Tobias down a little, he promised not to inform the postal authorities, but if such a thing happens again,—well, their blood be upon their own heads.

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MEKEEL'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS
Beverly, Mass. Portland, Me.

CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES AND VARIETIES

Information regarding new issues and varieties will be gratefully received. We cannot give the addresses of correspondents.

The chronicle of United States is edited by PHILIP H. WARD, JR., Box 4216, Germantown, Phila., Pa. The foreign chronicle is edited by PERCY C. SMITH, 40 Packard Ave., West Somerville, Mass. Correspondents will please be careful to send their matter to the right address.

UNITED STATES.—In our chronicle for November 8th mention was made of the loss by Col. Greene of his wonderful collection of stamps through the sinking of his yacht. We are now informed by *The Albemarle Stamp Collector* that "The private steam yacht of Col. E. H. R. Greene that was sunk off New Haven last August has been raised and is now in dry dock. The safe that was on board contained a large portion of the Colonel's valuable stamp collection. A recent examination shows that the action of the salt water has severely damaged the stamps. It had been hoped that the safe was water tight, an element that will be well considered in the future in selecting depositories for installation in private yachts."

We quote this paragraph, for since the appearance of our previous notes we have received numerous requests for further details. Several correspondents have asked that we advise them as to the present value of the 24c invert in view of the loss of those held by Col. Greene. While placing values upon stamps does not fall into the field of a "chronicle," nevertheless we are pleased to present a few facts that will enable the reader to draw his own conclusions.

At the present time there are about 65 copies of the 2c Pan-American invert, and the stamps readily sell around $550. The 24c invert has every advantage of the 2c, that is, it will be sought after by every advanced specialist of United States stamps, every advanced collector of 20th Century, etc. The 24c will have the additional advantage of being classed as a war stamp and will consequently appeal to that vast throng collecting war issues. As value is created by supply and demand, the new catalogue would not be amiss in showing the 24c invert to be a $750 error.

Some months back we spoke of a sheet of the 3c surface print, type IV, with a distinct double print, that is, one impression was from plate No. 9374 and the other from No. 9396. Numerous other doubles have been found, but this is the only instance brought to our attention where the sheet was actually run through the press twice. The other 3c doubles, as is well known, are caused by a mechanical imperfection in the press. Mr. B. K. Miller now informs us that he has located a sheet of the 1c surface print, perforated 11, no watermark, which has gone through the press a second time. His pane is from the southeast corner, one impression being from sheet No. 9674 and the second impression from No. 967?. The second impression is quite possibly such that the last figure of the plate number is undecipherable.

The same gentleman tells us that he has obtained a "vertical strip of six of the 2c perf. 11 unwatermarked, imperforated horizontally, with an extra (3rd) perforation vertically through the stamps." That is, the strip has the regular vertical perforations on the right and the left sides of the stamps, and in addition a third row of vertical perforations through the center of the stamps.

Mr. P. M. Mann informs us that Mr. Sumner Gary has shown him several good sized blocks with margins of the 1912 9c pink without any visible watermark. We are advised that Messrs. J. M. Bartels and J. B. Leavy have seen the same blocks and classify them as watermarked. We have not seen these stamps, consequently are presenting these facts just as they were given us. We judge these varieties will fall into the same class as the 30c perf. 10 unwatermarked, and as Sir Roger de Coverly would say, "much can be said on both sides." Four such sheets were found in the Grand Rapids some years back, so Mr. Gary states.

Your editor has just located a block of the 2c compounds perforated 11x10 from the "S 20" plates. It will be recalled that these plates were from a die not cut quite as deeply as the "S 30" plates, from which most of the compounds come. It was at first thought that the stamps from the different type of plates were identical, but this does not happen to be the case. Details as to the differences will be given in our next chronicle.

AUSTRALIAN COMMONWEALTH.—The 4d value, King George, wmk. Crown over A, has appeared in a distinctly new shade—bright orange.—*Stamp Collecting.*

AUSTRIA.—The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us a copy of the 10 krone of the new Deutschosterreich type. The stamp is oblong in shape, with the word just mentioned at the top and "10 Kronen 10" at the base of the stamp. In the center is a likeness of the palace. The colors are green and brown.

BARBADOS.—We are advised by the Colonial Postmaster that it is proposed to issue a Victory series in about April or May of next year, and the values will be the same as the present issue.

BELGIUM.—*Stamp Collecting* prints the following: "Some interesting information concerning the artist whose portrait of King Albert in steel helmet has made such a striking subject for the new stamps of Belgium appears in a Brussels paper, *Le Soir*. This journal says that the artist in question, Jean de Bast, during the war carried on the extremely risky occupation of engraving forged seals and the like for passports and similar documents used in carrying on espionage against the German Government of Occupation. He also illustrated certain clandestine publications, such as the *Ame Belge*, and on one occasion he even indulged in the pleasantry of introducing his signature in the arabesques of the design—an act of daring which would doubtless have made him the object of a firing squad at short notice if anyone had discovered the signature."

BULGARIA.—Mr. Fred Meeker has shown us a copy of the new 15s violet stamp recently put on sale. The portrait of Czar Boris III is in the center with the usual Bulgarian characters at the top with "15 stotinki 15" at the base. We are also informed that the 10s rose has appeared in the same type.

ESTHONIA.—The Economsit Stamp Co. has shown us the 10 penni stamp, numeral type, imperforate.

FRANCE.—The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us the 1c stamp, current issue, surcharged in two lines "½—centime" in red.

KEDAH.—Mr. A. Brun informs us that he has received, among a supply of the new 1c brown, one entire sheet of 120 stamps with inverted watermark—the only sheet found, so far, with the "cap-sized Crown."—*Stamp Collecting.*

LUXEMBURG.—We are informed by Adjt. Henry Hooreman that he has received official news stating that a set of stamps is contemplated for his Grand Duchy, and the new set will probably be issued in January.

MALTA.—We learn that the 5s King George stamp is out of issue and is not to be had in any post office in Malta. The next examples will probably be in a new shade.

The 2s 6d and 10s, Mult. CA, have not yet been reinstated, and, pending their advent, the stocks of the old Single CA stamps are being used up.—*Stamp Collecting.*

MOSUL.—The *Stamp Lover* supplies the following information: "The ½ anna is perf. 11½; all other values perf. 12. All values may be found with clean cut perfs. and with rough perfs. from which a large number of the small circular pieces are not cut out, and also in a range of shades. The 4 annas rough perf. is the scarcest variety out here. The 1 anna is printed from two plates, on coloured paper. One plate has a large monogram and the other a small one. The 2½ annas—all have small monogram. The annas on white paper—large monogram. The 3 annas, yellow network—small monogram. The 4 annas on white paper—large monogram. The 8 annas on white paper—large monogram. The overprint 'Postage I.E.F. "D" ½ anna' on ½ anna and 2½ annas is 19½ mm.; on all other values 18 mm."

NEW ZEALAND.—The Economist Stamp Co. has also shown us the new set of Victory stamps of this colony. It is one of the finest sets of stamps that we have received for a long time and is a pictorial issue in which the country may well take pride.

The ½d stamp depicts Peace, resting upon a lion, and holding out the victor's crown of laurel. The picture is within an arched frame with ½d in each upper corner, "New Zealand Victory Stamp" in the arch, and at the bottom "1914 Postage and Revenue 1919."

The 1d value is an upright stamp with Peace standing beside the lion waving the laurel wreath. At the top is "Victory Stamp," while at the base is the "1d New Zealand." Just above, "Postage & Revenue."

The 1½d has a portrait of a Maori, and is intended as a tribute to the splen-

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Latest News

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Axel Johansen, Box 76, Cape Cottage, Me.

did co-operation of this race in the war. In the left frame are two Teko-Teko heads believed in by the tribe to ward off evil spirits from their homes.

The 3d value is a wonderfully striking stamp and pictures a lion resting in a sitting position with the sun's rays in the background.

The last two stamps of this set show an image representing Victory leading a child through an arch, and King George, respectively. Some contemporaries suggest that the former figure is leading what may be symbolical of the League of Nations, that new understanding among men that will bring all nations closer together for the common good. The 1sh value has in each upper corner the same two Teko-Teko heads as in the 6d stamp, while just below and on each side of the King's portrait is a lion and a spray of Maori fern. The set is the work of Messrs. de la Rue & Co. and is typographed on paper watermarked "N Z." and star. The perforation is 14.

NORTH WEST PACIFIC ISLANDS. — The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us the 2½, 5, 6 and 9d values with the corrected setting, and also advise us that they had received the 5sh value with the same setting. Mr. J. H. Smyth has sent us copies of the ½d and 3d in addition with the same surcharge.

PORTUGUESE INDIA.—We are indebted to Mr. Peter N. de Souza for copies of the three new War Tax stamps. He informs us that they have now ceased to be used for postal purposes, and adds the following notes regarding the three values:—

1 reis—This was used on letters addressed to Portugal and Portuguese Colonies.

4 reis—This was used to cover an additional tax on telegrams.

5 reis—This was used on parcels, as well as for revenue purposes.

It would appear, therefore, that the 4 reis value is purely a telegraph stamp, unless, of course, it was permissible to use the 1 reis and 4 reis together on parcels.

No doubt the above remarks apply to the corresponding denominations of the War Tax issues for Macao and Portuguese Africa, which we chronicled on pages 55 and 56 of our current volume. —*Stamp Lover.*

RAROTONGA.—The *Stamp Lover* prints the following from a correspondent:— "I am informed that towards the end of 1918 it was found that the plates from which the Cook Islands were printed were fast becoming worn, and the question arose of procuring new plates. After considering the great expense this would mean, it was decided to have the New Zealand overprinted in a similar way as is done for the other islands (Niue, Aitutaki and Penrhyn). The reason for the word 'Raratonga' nobody seems to know, although I think it suggests more of the beauty of these tropical islands than the old name. These stamps will undoubtedly be of great value; already the threepenny has undergone a slight alteration."

SAMOA.—Mr. J. H. Smyth has shown us a copy of the 3d New Zealand, surface printed, surcharged SAMOA in blue.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS. — The Economist Stamp Co. has shown us the 2c value which was mentioned some time ago as having been forwarded from London. The color is a dark dull green.

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By CHAS. S. THOMPSON.

There's an ad, Nov. 15, which makes me very tired: why take a crack at Middle Europe? Is it good policy for *any* dealer to knock *any* phase of the stamp collecting game? Is he so absolutely faultless that he can build his glass house next door to a brickyard and never have to buy any shades?

If he means to insinuate that the bloomin' Colonies are sans peur et sans reproche, why not hold up, as examples equally horrible with those of Mittel Europa, all the multityped atrocties of Trinidad, the infinity of Bahamas, local and otherwise, the stellar infinity of the G.R.I.'s, and a few other pieces of philatelic sodomy that the poor collector has to stand for? Really, he makes me very tired when he talks thus: why should he endeavor to pull out *any props?* A lot of people like to collect new Europe and will continue to like to do so, and a lot more may leave off trying to get three kinds of perforations, two kinds of watermarks, no watermarks at all, imperfs., and K.C. roulettes, to collect this same "junk." It gives a collector of moderate means an opportunity to make a beautiful showing of stamps which are intimately connected, as stamps never were before, and let us hope never will be again in this way, with history and geography in the making.

Personally, I'd much prefer to handle first issues of Luxembourg, Netherlands, "Penny Blax," 10c, '47, and Mauritius Postoffices, but there are not enough of any of those things to go even half-way around, and when any dealer gets one of any of them, he immediately sends it to some plute client, while the pauvre poisson who has only a few shekels fusses around with a bundle of Bosnia pictures and a hatful of Ecuador triangles. It seems to me that the best thing for all of us is to say nothing about the other man's stamps as long as they are genuine and legitimate. If they are postage stamps, no one has any right to tap, punch, uppercut, or knock. Every collector has a right to spend his money as he sees fit: no dealer has a right to tell him where to head in or get off. And the hammer is not going to do any phase of the sport any good.

Which is enough from me for one shot.

"PUNNY PHILATELY."

Evolved During the Recent Wet Weather: An "Indore" Occupation.

By A. C. G.

"Why did uncle 'Levant'?" queried the nephew.

"Because 'Sarawak'-ed him!" was the reply.

* * *

Why "Philippine"-d?—Because he had "St. Helena" the wrong note.

* * *

What the young terror said after being spanked for having "Scinde": "He'd like to see 'Pahang'."

* * *

What the yokel said when his girl told him he was a "Bhor" and wanted him "To go": "Oh, you want to 'Packhoi' off!"

* * *

What Pa thought whilst spanking tiny Tim: "Elobey" after this.

* * *

She: "Uruguay" boy!
He: I "Hoorta" "Poonch" you!

* * *

Things to take when you are "Hungary" or have an "Abyss inia":—"Tobago" pudding, "Madeira" cake, "Montserrat" wine, and "Brazil" nuts.

You are sure to want "Samoa."

(No, Mr. Perpetrator, we've had enough!—Ed.)

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As much of a howler as a "he-bull": A "Macau."

* * *

The knut said there was little to prevent him from entering the "United State" (s) if only he could "Nabha" pretty "Virgin."

* * *

Jack said he couldn't spoon with the "Bosnia."

* * *

The latest lover's song: "I want to be Niue."

* * *

Tram-route notice: "Holkars" stop here when required.

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Why "St. Pierre" wore cork socks. Because it made the "Rhodesia" for his feet.

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The cup in Benjamin's sack: "Benin" trouble.

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I have just recenty moved to Sheboygan, a city of about 30,000 population, and knew no collectors here, so I ran an adv. in one of the local papers in an endeavor to meet the philatelists of the city. So far I have met five of them, one of whom is a subscriber to MEKEEL'S. I may possibly be able to get other subscribers, as we expect to organize a philatelic club.

Regarding the advance in subscription price, would state that I have often wondered why you hadn't raised long ago, in fact, I never could see how you could "break even" at 50c per year. I subscribe to a great many weekly and monthly magazines, but there isn't one of them which I look forward to receiving nor which I enjoy as much as I do MEKEEL'S. Of all the magazines I take, I glance through them and read only the parts which interest me. With the WEEKLY I read every word of the reading matter and every word of the advertisements every week. Some of the advertisers who do not change their ads very often ought to take a "tip" and change their ads often, as there are some ads I know by memory. Of course, this may be figured as an advantage by the advertiser. Possibly some advertisers consider this result as their objective, but at the same time if *all* advertisers ran the same ad year in and year out the result would be that we wouldn't read any of them over very often.

Some of the advertisers change their ads quite often, and I don't doubt but that they secure the best results. Then there is the advertiser who makes his ad interesting by putting in a personal touch and using some reading matter or topic of interest regarding the material he has to offer. To me the ad which contains some reading matter is considerably more interesting than the dry, strictly formal, stiff advertisement. I am not criticizing, but just giving my views after reading MEKEEL'S advertisements from cover to cover for the past six years.

I have enjoyed the humorous writings, "Whisperings and Whimperings of a Philatelic Nut," by Cotton C. Doyle, very much, as I believe humor gives the proper seasoning to any reading matter. Then, too, an occasional story relating the experiences of collecting and philatelic incidents are also very interesting. You have had some very interesting writers of philatelic fiction and non-fiction, and I believe the experiences and incidents in a great many histories of collections would prove very interesting.

Primarily a collector is supposed to collect stamps for the love of the hobby alone, but at the same time I am sure we all find it a great deal more interesting when the price of our stamps goes up, in the event that we might some day find it necessary to cash it, which I trust we all shall be fortunate enough to never have happen. It is interesting to know that some of our stamps are increasing in value, and any items obtained at stamp auctions, also notes regarding the trend of the market, also notes of the increase or decrease in value of the stamps or entire countries, prove of great interest to quite a few of your readers.

AT HOME AND ABROAD.

By PERCY C. BISHOP.

On Rotary Stamp Printing.—Mr. Stickney, the American expert on the printing of postage stamps by rotary presses, has been visiting London, and the *Evening News* has interviewed him on the subject of the machine with which his name is identified—the Intaglis Security machine. Mr. Stickney, by the way, received and asked for no royalties upon his invention. He turned the machine over voluntarily as a contribution to the Government.

Asked whether it was the newspaper rotary press that gave him the idea, Mr. Stickney said, "No; the principle of web presses does not apply in any sense. The idea struck me when I was seeking ways of reducing the cost of printing stamps, which was very high. Also, there was a pressing demand for coiled stamps printed and rolled in continuous strips, for use in automatic stamp affixing and stamp vending machines.

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About one-seventh of the total output of the United States stamps is now printed by the rotary machines, and films showing the new machines at work have been shown in many parts of the country. Plans are now being pushed to completion for installing additional Stickney rotary machines on which will be printed the entire output of United States postage and revenue stamps.

The rotary press has reduced the employees required in stamp-printing operations in the proportion of five to one.

"Throughout America," said Mr. Stickney, "automatic stamp affixing machines are being used very largely, and within a few years, in my opinion, they will be universal.

"It is necessary to have stamps in coils for these machines. Some of the larger mail order houses in the States have machines that automatically affix the stamps at a speed of 250 envelopes per minute."

All of which is, of course, very interesting and a great feather-in-the-cap of Mr. Stickney; but if the U. S. A. stamps now coming over are the product of the Stickney process—as presumably they are—then one may be forgiven a pious hope that the use of that process will not extend to this country. The present 1 cent U. S. A. is surely the worst-printed of all current postage stamps—and that is saying much. It is a washed-out, badly-centered daub.

The Oldest Specialist Firm.—In a chat the other day with Mr. Charles Nissen, I was reminded that he first established himself as a dealer in British Stamps as long ago as 1894. Thus, therefore, in his Silver Jubilee year.

How time flies, to be sure! The house of Charles Nissen & Co., Limited, is unique in the annals of stamp-dealing as a firm that has specialised unswervingly in the stamps of Great Britain for a quarter of a century. Mr. Nissen, of course, has had occasional deals in Colonials, and during recent years has established a department for the purchase and sale of collections, but his mainstay, his sheet anchor, has always been British stamps. I think if I owned about one per cent. of the Penny Blacks alone that have passed through his hands I could retire from active journalism tomorrow!

Twentieth vs. Nineteenth.—Do you collect nineteenth or twentieth century stamps? The question is often heard just now, partly, perhaps, on account of Mr. Charles J. Phillips' recent interesting revelations concerning the dividing-up of American philatelic business between the London and New York houses of the great Gibbons firm. Under a new agreement Stanley Gibbons, of London, will have the right to deal direct with American Philatelists in nineteenth century stamps only, while all business in twentieth century stamps will be handled by the New York house. At first glance it seems an odd arrangement, but is nevertheless quite in accordance with the modern tendency towards specialism.

For a generation or more it has been accepted as a truism among amateurs that no single philatelist can collect everything, and by the same token the trend is towards specialism among the dealers. Already one can tick off the leading London dealers and give a label to each—A. for old Europeans, B. for British, C. for Edwardian Colonials, and so forth.

Which house has the better of the argument with regard to this new Stanley Gibbons agreement, think you?—London with its nineteenth century department or New York with its twentieth century counter? I know more than one London dealer who would plump for the "twen-cents" without a moment's hesitation. The old rare stamps are a safe "proposition," but because of their safety they show, as a rule, a narrower margin of profit. When one deals in gilt-edged securities one has to be content with a relatively smaller turn on each transaction.

Philately in Periods.—The fact is, the stamp hobby is being more and more cut up into periods. The philatelist to whom a too narrow field makes no appeal, now turns his attention to general collecting for a special period only:—the reign of Queen Victoria or King Edward; the nineteenth or twentieth century; the period of the Great War or the period of the Armistice, if such a period as the last name can be exactly defined. The most recent period of all may be defined as the post war Period, and, in the programme of a friend whom I have in mind at the moment of writing, it dates from the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of eleventh month of the year 1918. He, the friend in question, is striving manfully and I believe so far successfully, to secure every variety issued throughout the world from that date onwards. Rich man though he is, some of the "alarmistice" prices he has been called upon to pay for the productions of 1918-1919 have given him a sharp twinge in the region of the pocketbook. —*Stamp Coll. Fortnightly.*

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The stamps of the first two issues were divided in the sheet by very fine lines in the same colour as that of the stamp. If this line, or parts of it, or an indication of it, is visible on the stamp under examination, it is a very fair test of its genuineness, very few forgeries existing which show this line.

The first and second issues are usually cancelled with the well-known box cancellation, [ ] which is made of wood, and used in the coast ports in the early days of postal business in Japan. A circular cancellation on these two issues condemns a stamp at once.

An important test for all Japanese stamps is the size, all known forgeries being either too small or too large. If those excellent type plates published in Germany are not available for the purpose of measurement, carefully measure the illustrations in Gibbons' with the compass, and reject at once all specimens which differ in size.

It is frequently very difficult to decide as regards the issues under review, whether the paper is laid or wove, even in a whole sheet. In the former case the lines are often very faint and seen with difficulty; but benzine will always reveal traces of them, even in a single specimen.

From experience, I feel inclined to look favourably on a copy of the first two issues on "laid" paper, though it is by no means a reliable test.

Distrust all stamps on supposed original cover, no matter how genuine they look. As regards the first two issues, these are invariably fakes, but may deceive many, even experienced collectors.

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Mr. George Thompson reports the 3c victory precancelled Los Angeles, Cal., reading up, in the current type.

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Two new revenues have been reported this week. The 2c from Troy, N. Y., in the usual block type, reading up. Also the 2c from Bay City, Mich., in U-8 type, reading down.

The 1c offset, inverted, in the three-line type from New York City is also reported.

The 3c victory from Abilene, Kans., in a type similar to U-1, reading down. It is a rubber roller.

Mr. W. H. Field reports the 3, 4, 5, and 30c in the new type of Cincinnati and also the 3c perf. 11 inverted from Huntington, West Virginia.

Mr. Frank C. Brown was in town last Sunday and spent the night with the publisher and the best item he showed me was Chicago, No. 342 double inverted, which he picked up on the west coast on this trip.

Mr. H. D. Watkins says that Atlanta, Ga., is now using the 50c, perf. 11, precancelled.

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Mr. Fred Allen says that he has the 3c victory Minneapolis, Minn., reading up. He also sends proof of the Grand Forks, N. D., precancelling stamp. It is U-Type 16, the usual ten-at-a-time rubber stamp.

It will no doubt be interesting to my readers to learn that Mr. Theodore M. Lincoln has purchased the collection that Dr. Newton offered for sale some time ago. I understand that Mr. Lincoln will sell everything that he cannot use in his collection.—*Bushnell's Magazine.*

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Gee! It makes a feller sick
To give 'em up—take their pick
Of our treasures that for years
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Are to us like children gay,
Yes, to some of us, real play
To sit and sort and count 'em,
Study, search and mount 'em,
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Of our pockets that are emptied,
And the dealer only tempted
Us to buy and buy and then—slam!
Give 'em back to Uncle Sam!!
Good night!!!

SALVADOR 1899 "TRANSITO TERRITORIAL".

In surveying the surcharged and overprinted stamps of Salvador, one cannot help being arrested by the words "Transito Territorial," which have been applied to the 5c green of the 1898 issue. Having recently had the opportunity of examining some large blocks of the overprinted stamps, it will not be amiss to give a description of this overprint, the more so, as there does not appear to be any previous detailed record of same in philatelic papers. The words "Transito Territorial" were type-set in two lines. A complete setting consists of fifty stamps arranged in ten horizontal rows of five. It must be admitted that the type is very neat and that more than the usual amount of care has been exercised in setting it up. There are no glarring errors, and, as a result, the plating of a setting presents some difficulties.

The following few varieties, however, occur:—

No. 2.—The third "r" in "Territorial" is slanting (Gibbons 291).

Nos. 13 and 49.—A short figure "1" surmounted by a dot does duty for "i" in "Transito".

No. 14.—A small rather crude "r" in "Transito."

No. 27.—The "a" of "Territorial" has an open top (in all others the ball of the "a" practically touches the body of the "a").

No. 34.—A short figure "1" surmounted by a dot does duty for "i" in "Territorial."

Nos. 38, 42 and 49.—The serifs at head of the capital "T" of "Transito" are not vertical, but are spread outwards.

There are a few other very minute variations, such as broken letters &c., which are not constant and are therefore omitted.

The overprint was applied vertically, reading either upwards or downwards, to a block of fifty stamps—*i. e.* five horizontal rows of ten stamps. The usual colour of the overprint was black, but it also exists in red, violet, purple, yellow, or black and yellow.

At various times other values of the 1898 set, such as the 1, 2, 3, 10, 12, and 13 centavos, have been recorded in philatelic journals as having been issued with the "Transito Territorial" overprint. There being, however, no proof to substantiate their official existence, they have been quite rightly excluded from all standard catalogues. The *raison d'être* of the 5c with overprint can briefly be stated as follows:—A new route for letter mails to the U.S.A. and Europe was inaugurated from Salvador overland via Zacapa in Guatemala to Puerto Barrios. This shortened the time of transit by several days, but on the other hand enhanced the costs of transmission to such an extent that the Government, on February 22nd, 1899, issued a decree authorizing the Postmaster-General to levy a supertax of 5c in addition to the ordinary postage on every letter of 15 grammes, which was sent by the new overland route in order to cover the expenses of the innovation. The Postmaster-General thereupon notified the public to this effect on April 6th, 1899, and the order came into force on that day. A translation of both the above orders will be found in "Der Philatelist," October, 1901, page 277.

This arrangement did not, however, last very long, as the Universal Postal Union stepped in and vetoed the practice as being against the provisions of the regulations agreed upon by members of that body. The overprinted 5c stamp therefore only had a very short life, and is, consequently, always a difficult stamp to obtain owing to the small number used and prepared for use. The catalogue price of 3s unused appears on the face of it absurdly low. In Yvert's catalogue this stamp is priced at 20 francs.—*Griebert's Phil. Notes and Offers.*

THE ORDER OF PHILATELIC MERIT.

In the north transept of St. Paul's Cathedral there is a famous inscription: "Lector, si monumentum requiris circumspice." Now, as of Wren, no monument has hitherto been needed to testify to the greatness of the leading lights of the philatelic cult. Their researches, their constructive and deductive investigations, their synthetic and analytical studies, have placed philately on a pinnacle, and we philatelists of today profit by the pioneer spadework of a bygone generation. "By their works we have come to know them," and their names are a household word.

It may, then, be considered that such virtue is its own reward. On the other hand, we have often overheard the remark that there ought to be some international means of honouring all the distinguished disciples of the stamp album. At present there is no such distinction available. Therefore an influential body of enthusiasts, backed by *Stamp Collecting*, have decided to institute one.

The proposal to establish a philatelic ORDER OF MERIT was introduced by Mr. Percy C. Bishop at the meeting of the London Stamp Club, held on Thursday, October 30th, when we were bid remember that there ought to be some way of rewarding and paying honour to those who had so ceaselessly worked for the advancement of our hobby—who had worked without thought of fee or reward, and often at great self-sacrifice. There was, of course, the Lindenberg Medal, which before the war was given by our late arch-enemies, and also occasional medals, given to societies for best papers, &c., but there should undoubtedly be some *world-wide recognition* for those whose research had helped to place, and was keeping, philately on the high pedestal it occupies today.

Unlike the British Order of Merit, which, instituted on June 26th, 1902, is composed of two classes—civil and military—it seems to us that there should not be any such division in philately, but that a very limited number of Orders should be awarded, to collector and dealer alike, purely in recognition of sterling services rendered to the Royal Hobby and its devotees.

It is, of course, obvious that some of the awards will have to be retrospective, for we cannot ignore the glorious past, though it is not the intention to advocate any posthumous holders of the Order.

It is not intended that the ORDER OF PHILATELIC MERIT shall compete with any existing philatelic distinction, for it has a much wider application than any award yet devised to honour individual philatelists, and it should also be understood that there are no expenses or fees attached to the new Order.

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